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HEPATITIS C ASSAY UTILIZING RECOMBINANT ANTIGENS TO NS1

This is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. 07/572,822, filed August 24, 1990 and U.S. Serial No. 07,614,069, filed November 7, 1990, which enjoy common ownership and are incorporated herein by reference. This application also is related to co-filed patent applicationS entitled "HEPATITIS C ASSAY UTILIZING RECOMBINANT ANTIGENS FROM NS5 REGION"(U. S. Serial No. 748,565) and "HEPATITIS C ASSAY UTILIZING RECOMBINANT ANTIGENS TO C-100 REGION"(U. S. Serial No. 748,566) which enjoy common ownership and are incorporated herein by reference.

This invention relates generally to an assay for identifying the presence in a sample of an antibody which is immunologically reactive with a hepatitis C virus antigen and specifically to an assay for detecting a complex of an antibody and recombinant antigens representing distinct regions of the HCV genome. Recombinant antigens derived from the molecular cloning and expression in a heterologous expression system of the synthetic DNA sequences representing distinct antigenic regions of the HCV genome can be used as reagents for the detection of antibodies and antigen in body fluids from individuals exposed to hepatitis C virus (HCV).

20 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Acute viral hepatitis is clinically diagnosed by a well-defined set of patient symptoms, including jaundice, hepatic tenderness, and an increase in the serum levels of alanine aminotransferase (ALT) and aspartate aminotransferase. Additional serologic immunoassays are generally performed to diagnose the specific type of viral causative agent. Historically, patients presenting clinical hepatitis symptoms and not otherwise infected by hepatitis A, hepatitis B, Epstein-Barr or cytomegalovirus were clinically diagnosed as having non-A non-B hepatitis (NANBH) by default. The disease may result in chronic liver damage.

Each of the well-known, immunologically characterized hepatitis-inducing viruses, hepatitis A virus (HAV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), and hepatitis D virus (HDV) belongs to a separate family of viruses and has a distinctive viral organization, protein structure, and mode of replication.

Attempts to identify the NANBH virus by virtue of genomic similarity to one of the known hepatitis viruses have failed, suggesting that NANBH has a distinct organization and structure. [Fowler, et al., J. Med. Virol., 12:205-213 (1983) and Weiner, et al., J. Med. Virol., 21:239-247 (1987)].

Progress in developing assays to detect antibodies specific for NANBH has

been particularly hampered by difficulties in correctly identifying antigens associated with NANBH. See, for example, Wands, J., et al., U.S. Patent 4,870,076, Wands, et al., Proc. Nat'l. Acad. Sci., 83:6608-6612 (1986), Ohori, et al., J. Med. Virol., 12:161-178 (1983), Bradley, et al., Proc. Nat'l. Acad. Sci., 84:6277-6281, (1987), Akatsuka, T., et al., J. Med. Virol., 20:43-56 (1986), Seto, B., et al., U.S. Patent Application Number 07/234,641 (available from U.S. Department of Commerce National Technical Information Service, Springfield, Virginia, No. 89138168), Takahashi, K., et al., European Patent Application No. 0 293 274, published November 30, 1988, and Seelig, R., et al., in PCT Application PCT/EP88/00123.

Recently, another hepatitis-inducing virus has been unequivocally identified as hepatitis C virus (HCV) by Houghton, M., et al., European Patent Application publication number 0 318 216, May 31, 1989. Related papers describing this virus include Kuo, G., et al., Science, 244:359-361 (1989) and Choo, Q., et al., Science, 244:362-364 (1989). Houghton, M., et al. reported isolating cDNA sequences from HCV which encode antigens which react immunologically with antibodies present in patients infected with NANBH, thus establishing that HCV is one of the viral agents causing NANBH. The cDNA sequences associated with HCV were isolated from a cDNA library prepared from the RNA obtained from pooled serum from a chimpanzee with chronic HCV infection. The cDNA library contained cDNA sequences of approximate mean size of about 200 base pairs. The cDNA library was screened for encoded epitopes expressed in clones that could bind to antibodies in sera from patients who had previously experienced NANBH.

In the European Patent Application, Houghton, M., et al. also described the preparation of several superoxide dismutase fusion polypeptides (SOD) and the use of these SOD fusion polypeptides to develop an HCV screening assay. The most complex SOD fusion polypeptide described in the European Patent Application, designated c100-3, was described as containing 154 amino acids of human SOD at the aminoterminal, 5 amino acid residues derived from the expression of a synthetic DNA adapter containing a restriction site, EcoRI, 363 amino acids derived from the expression of a cloned HCV cDNA fragment, and 5 carboxyl terminal amino acids derived from an MS2 cloning vector nucleotide sequence. The DNA sequence encoding this polypeptide was transformed into yeast cells using a plasmid. The transformed cells were cultured and expressed a 54,000 molecular weight polypeptide which was purified to about 80% purity by differential extraction.

Other SOD fusion polypeptides designated SOD-NANB₅₋₁₋₁ and SOD-NANB_{g1} were expressed in recombinant bacteria. The E. coli fusion polypeptides

were purified by differential extraction and by chromatography using anion and cation exchange columns. The purification procedures were able to produce SOD-NANB5-1-1 as about 80% pure and SOD-NAN38, as about 50% pure.

The recombinant SOD fusion polypeptides described by Houghton, M., et al.
5 were coated on microtiter wells or polystyrene beads and used to assay serum samples. Briefly, coated microtiter wells were incubated with a sample in a diluent. After incubation, the microtiter wells were washed and then developed using either a radioactively labelled sheep anti-human antibody or a mouse antihuman IgG-HRP (horseradish peroxidase) conjugate. These assays were used to
10 detect both post acute phase and chronic phase HCV infection.

Due to the preparative methods, assay specificity required adding yeast or E.coli extracts to the samples in order to prevent undesired immunological reactions with any yeast or E.coli antibodies present in samples.

Ortho Diagnostic Systems Inc. have developed a immunoenzyme assay to
15 detect antibodies to HCV antigens. The Ortho assay procedure is a three-stage test for serum/plasma carried out in a microwell coated with the recombinant yeast/hepatitis C virus SOD fusion polypeptide c100-3.

In the first stage, a test specimen is diluted directly in the test well and incubated for a specified length of time. If antibodies to HCV antigens are present in
20 the specimen, antigen-antibody complexes will be formed on the microwell surface. If no antibodies are present, complexes will not be formed and the unbound serum or plasma proteins will be removed in a washing step.

In the second stage, anti-human IgG murine monoclonal antibody horseradish peroxidase conjugate is added to the microwell. The conjugate binds specifically to
25 the antibody portion of the antigen-antibody complexes. If antigen-antibody complexes are not present, the unbound conjugate will also be removed by a washing step.

In the third stage, an enzyme detection system composed of o-phenylenediamine 2HCl (OPD) and hydrogen peroxide is added to the test well. If
30 bound conjugate is present, the OPD will be oxidized, resulting in a colored end product. After formation of the colored end product, dilute sulfuric acid is added to the microwell to stop the color-forming detection reaction.

The intensity of the colored end product is measured with a microwell reader. The assay may be used to screen patient serum and plasma.

35 It is established that HCV may be transmitted by contaminated blood and blood products. In transfused patients, as many as 10% will suffer from post-transfusion hepatitis. Of these, approximately 90% are the result of infections

diagnosed as HCV. The prevention of transmission of HCV by blood and blood products requires reliable, sensitive and specific diagnosis and prognostic tools to identify HCV carriers as well as contaminated blood and blood products. Thus, there exists a need for an HCV assay which uses reliable and efficient reagents and methods to accurately detect the presence of HCV antibodies in samples.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides an improved assay for detecting the presence of an antibody to an HCV antigen in a sample by contacting the sample with at least one recombinant protein representing a distinct antigenic region of the HCV genome.

Recombinant antigens which are derived from the molecular cloning and expression of synthetic DNA sequences in heterologous hosts are provided. Briefly, synthetic DNA sequences which encode the desired proteins representing distinct antigenic regions of the HCV genome are optimized for expression in *E. coli* by specific codon selection. Specifically, recombinant proteins representing five distinct antigenic regions of NS1 of the HCV genome are described. The proteins are expressed as chimeric fusions with *E. coli* CMP-KDO synthetase (CKS) gene. The first protein, expressed by plasmid pHCV-77 (identified as SEQ. ID. NO. 1) represents amino acids 365-579 of the HCV sequence of NS1 and, based on analogy to the genomic organization of other flaviviruses, has been named HCV CKS-NS1S1. Note that the term pHCV-77 will also refer to the fusion protein itself and that pHCV-77' will be the designation for a polypeptide representing the NS1 region from about amino acids 365-579 of the HCV sequence prepared using other recombinant or synthetic methodologies. Other recombinant methodologies would include the preparation of pHCV-77', utilizing different expression systems. The methodology for the preparation of synthetic peptides of HCV is described in U.S. Serial No. 456,162, filed December 22, 1989, and U.S. Serial No. 610,180, filed November 7, 1990, which enjoy common ownership and are incorporated herein by reference. The next protein is expressed by plasmid pHCV-65, identified as SEQ. ID. NO. 2, and represents amino acids 565-731 of the NS1 region of the HCV genome, pHCV-65 has been named HCV CKS-NS1S2 and is expressed by the plasmid pHCV-65. The fusion protein itself will also be referred to as pHCV-65 and pHCV-65' shall be the designation for a polypeptide from the NS-1 region representing from about amino acids 565-731 of the HCV sequence prepared using other recombinant or synthetic methodologies. The next recombinant antigen represents amino acids 717-847 of the NS1 region of the HCV sequence, and is expressed by the plasmid pHCV-78 (identified by SEQ. ID. NO. 3). The fusion protein will be

referred to as pHCV-78 and pHCV-78' shall be the designation for a polypeptide from the NS1 region representing from about amino acids 717-847 of the HCV sequence prepared using other recombinant or synthetic methodologies. It has been designated clone HCV CKS-NS1S3 based on the strategy used in its construction.

- 5 Figure 44 illustrates the position of pHCV-77, pHCV-65 and pHCV-78 in the NS1 region of the HCV genome. The recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-80 is identified as SEQ. ID. NO. 4 and is designated HCV CKS-NS1S1-NS1S2. The fusion protein is also designated by pHCV-80 and pHCV-80' refers to the polypeptide located in the NS1 region of HCV, representing amino acids 365-731 of the HCV
- 10 genome prepared using different recombinant methodologies. Figure 45 illustrates the position of pHCV-80 within the HCV genome. HCV CKS-Full Length NS1 is the designation for the recombinant protein pHCV-92 (SEQ. ID. NO. 5). It represents amino acids 365-847 of the HCV genome. The fusion proteins will be referred to as pHCV-92 and pHCV 92' shall be the designation for the polypeptide from the NS1
- 15 region representing amino acids 365-847 of the HCV sequence prepared using other recombinant or synthetic methodologies. Figure 46 illustrates the position of pHCV-92 in the HCV genome. These antigens are used in the inventive immunoassays to detect the presence of HCV antibodies in samples.

- One assay format according to the invention provides a screening assay for
- 20 identifying the presence of an antibody that is immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen. Briefly, a fluid sample is incubated with a solid support containing the commonly bound recombinant proteins. Finally, the antibody-antigen complex is detected. In a modification of the screening assay the solid support additionally contains recombinant polypeptide c100-3.

- 25 Another assay format provides a confirmatory assay for unequivocally identifying the presence of an antibody that is immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen. The confirmatory assay includes synthetic peptides or recombinant antigens representing the epitopes contained within the NS1 region of the HCV genome, which are the same regions represented by the recombinant proteins
- 30 described in the screening assay. These are pHCV-77, pHCV-65, pHCV-78, pHCV-80 and pHCV-92. Recombinant proteins used in the confirmatory assay should have a heterologous source of antigen to that used in the primary screening assay (i.e. should not be an E.coli-derived recombinant antigen nor a recombinant antigen composed in part, of CKS sequences). Briefly, specimens repeatedly reactive in the
- 35 primary screening assay are retested in the confirmatory assay. Aliquots containing identical amounts of specimen are contacted with a synthetic peptide or recombinant antigen individually coated onto a solid support. Finally, the antibody-

antigen complex is detected. The polypeptides or recombinant proteins can be utilized as indicated or combined with other polypeptides and recombinant proteins as described herein and also described in U.S. Serial No. 456,162 entitled "Hepatitis C Assay", filed December 22, 1989, which enjoys common ownership and is
5 incorporated herein by reference.

Another assay format provides a competition assay or neutralization assay directed to the confirmation that positive results are not false by identifying the presence of an antibody that is immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample where the sample is used to prepare first and second immunologically
10 equivalent aliquots. The first aliquot is contacted with solid support containing a bound polypeptide which contains at least one epitope of an HCV antigen under conditions suitable for complexing with the antibody to form a detectable antibody-polypeptide complex and the second aliquot is first contacted with the same solid support containing bound polypeptide. The preferred recombinant polypeptides
15 include pHCV-77, pHCV-65, pHCV-78, pHCV-80 and pHCV-92.

Another assay format provides an immunodot assay for identifying the presence of an antibody that is immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen by concurrently contacting a sample with recombinant polypeptides each containing distinct epitopes of an HCV antigen under conditions suitable for complexing the
20 antibody with at least one of the polypeptides and detecting the antibody-polypeptide complex by reacting the complex with colorproducing reagents. The preferred recombinant polypeptides employed include those recombinant polypeptides derived from pHCV-77, pHCV-65, pHCV-78, pHCV-80, as well as pHCV-92.

In all of the assays, the sample is preferably diluted before contacting the
25 polypeptide absorbed on a solid support. Samples may be obtained from different biological samples such as whole blood, serum, plasma, cerebral spinal fluid, and lymphocyte or cell culture supernatants. Solid support materials may include cellulose materials, such as paper and nitrocellulose, natural and synthetic polymeric materials, such as polyacrylamide, polystyrene, and cotton, porous gels
30 such as silica gel, agarose, dextran and gelatin, and inorganic materials such as deactivated alumina, magnesium sulfate and glass. Suitable solid support materials may be used in assays in a variety of well known physical configurations, including microtiter wells, test tubes, beads, strips, membranes, and microparticles. A preferred solid support for a non-immunodot assay is a polystyrene bead. A
35 preferred solid support for an immunodot assay is nitrocellulose.

Suitable methods and reagents for detecting an antibody-antigen complex in an assay of the present invention are commercially available or known in the

relevant art. Representative methods may employ detection reagents such as enzymatic, radioisotopic, fluorescent, luminescent, or chemiluminescent reagents. These reagents may be used to prepare hapten-labelled antihapten detection systems according to known procedures, for example, a biotin-labelled antibiotin system
5 may be used to detect an antibody-antigen complex.

The present invention also encompasses assay kits including polypeptides which contain at least one epitope of an HCV antigen bound to a solid support as well as needed sample preparation reagents, wash reagents, detection reagents and signal producing reagents.

10 Other aspects and advantages of the invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art upon consideration of the following detailed description which provides illustrations of the invention in its presently preferred embodiments.

E.coli strains containing plasmids useful for constructs of the invention have been deposited at the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Maryland on
15 August 10, 1990, under the accession Nos. ATCC 68380 (pHCV-23), ATCC 68381 (pHCV-29), ATCC 68382 (pHCV-31), ATCC 68383 (pHCV-34) and on November 6, 1990 for E.coli strains containing plasmids useful for constructs under the accession Nos. ATCC 68458 (pHCV-50), ATCC 68459 (pHCV-57), ATCC 68460 (pHCV-103), ATCC 68461 (pHCV-102), ATCC 68462 (pHCV-51), ATCC 68463
20 (pHCV-105), ATCC 68464 (pHCV-107), ATCC 68465 (pHCV-104), ATCC 68466 (pHCV-45), ATCC 68467 (pHCV-48), ATCC 68468 (pHCV-49), ATCC 68469 (pHCV-58) and ATCC 68470 (pHCV-101). E. coli strains containing plasmids useful for constructs of the invention have been deposited at the A.T.C.C. on
25 September 26, 1991 under deposit numbers ATCC 68690 (pHCV-77), ATCC 68696 (pHCV-65), ATCC 68689 (pHCV-78), ATCC 68688 (pHCV-80) and ATCC 68695 (pHCV-92).

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

- FIGURE 1 illustrates the HCV genome.
- 30 FIGURE 2 illustrates the use of recombinant polypeptides to identify the presence of antibodies in a chimpanzee inoculated with HCV.
- FIGURE 3 illustrates the sensitivity and specificity increase in using the screening assay using pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 antigens.
- FIGURE 4 illustrates the construction of plasmid pHCV-34.
- 35 FIGURE 5 illustrates fusion protein pHCV-34.
- FIGURE 6 illustrates the expression of pHCV-34 proteins in E.coli.
- FIGURE 7 illustrates the construction of plasmid pHCV-23.

FIGURE 8 illustrates the construction of plasmid pHCV-29.

FIGURE 9 illustrates the construction of plasmid pHCV-31.

FIGURE 10 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-31.

FIGURE 11 illustrates the expression of pHCV-29 in E.coli.

5 FIGURE 12 illustrates the expression of pHCV-23 in E.coli.

FIGURE 13 illustrates the expression of pHCV-31 in E.coli.

FIGURE 14 illustrates the increased sensitivity using the screening assay utilizing the pHCV-34.

10 FIGURE 15 illustrates the increased specificity with the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31.

FIGURE 16 illustrates the results in hemodialysis patients using the screening and confirmatory assays.

FIGURE 17 illustrates earlier detection of HCV in a hemodialysis patient using the screening assay.

15 FIGURE 18 illustrates the results of the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 on samples from individuals with acute NANBH.

FIGURE 19 illustrates the results of the confirmatory assay of the same population group as in Figure 18.

20 FIGURE 20 illustrates the results of the screening and confirmatory assays on individuals infected with chronic NANBH.

FIGURE 21 illustrates preferred buffers, pH conditions, and spotting concentrations for the HCV immunodot assay.

FIGURE 22 illustrates the results of the HCV immunodot assay.

FIGURE 23 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-45.

25 FIGURE 24 illustrates the expression of pHCV-45 in E.coli.

FIGURE 25 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-48.

FIGURE 26 illustrates the expression of pHCV-48 in E.coli.

FIGURE 27 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-51.

FIGURE 28 illustrates the expression of pHCV-51 in E.coli.

30 FIGURE 29 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-50.

FIGURE 30 illustrates the expression of pHCV-50 in E.coli.

FIGURE 31 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-49.

FIGURE 32 illustrates the expression of pHCV-49 in E.coli.

35 FIGURE 33 illustrates an immunoblot of pHCV-23, pHCV-45, pHCV-48, pHCV-51, pHCV-50 and pHCV-49.

FIGURE 34 illustrates the fusion proteins pHCV-24, pHCV-57, pHCV-58.

FIGURE 35 illustrates the expression of pHCV-24, pHCV-57, and pHCV-58

in E.coli.

FIGURE 36 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-105.

FIGURE 37 illustrates the expression of pHCV-105 in E.coli.

FIGURE 38 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-103.

5 FIGURE 39 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-101.

FIGURE 40 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-102.

FIGURE 41 illustrates the expression of pHCV-102 in E.coli.

FIGURE 42 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-107.

FIGURE 43 illustrates the fusion protein pHCV-104.

10 FIGURE 44 illustrates the NS1 region of the HCV genome, and in particular, the locations of pHCV-77, pHCV-65 and pHCV-78.

FIGURE 45 illustrates the NS1 region of the HCV genome, and in particular, the location of pHCV-80.

15 FIGURE 46 illustrates the NS1 region of the HCV genome, and in particular, the location of pHCV-92.

FIGURE 47A illustrates the expression of pHCV-77 in E.coli; and FIGURE 47B illustrates an immunoblot of pHCV-77 in E.coli.

FIGURE 48A illustrates the expression of pHCV-65 in E.coli and FIGURE 48B illustrates an immunoblot of pHCV-65 in E.coli.

20 FIGURE 49A illustrates the expression of pHCV-80 in E.coli and FIGURE 49B illustrates an immunoblot of pHCV-80 in E.coli.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is directed to an assay to detect an antibody to an HCV antigen in a sample. Human serum or plasma is preferably diluted in a sample
25 diluent and incubated with a polystyrene bead coated with a recombinant polypeptide that represents a distinct antigenic region of the HCV genome. If antibodies are present in the sample they will form a complex with the antigenic polypeptide and become affixed to the polystyrene bead. After the complex has formed, unbound
30 materials and reagents are removed by washing the bead and the bead-antigen-antibody complex is reacted with a solution containing horseradish peroxidase labeled goat antibodies directed against human antibodies. This peroxidase enzyme then binds to the antigen-antibody complex already fixed to the bead. In a final
35 reaction the horseradish peroxidase is contacted with o-phenylenediamine and hydrogen peroxide which results in a yellow-orange color. The intensity of the color is proportional to the amount of antibody which initially binds to the antigen fixed to the bead.

The preferred recombinant polypeptides having HCV antigenic epitopes were selected from portions of the HCV genome which encoded polypeptides which possessed amino acid sequences similar to other known immunologically reactive agents and which were identified as having some immunological reactivity. (The immunological reactivity of a polypeptide was initially identified by reacting the cellular extract of E.coli clones which had been transformed with cDNA fragments of the HCV genome with HCV infected serum. Polypeptides expressed by clone containing the incorporated cDNA were immunologically reactive with serum known to contain antibody to HCV antigens.) An analysis of a given amino acid sequence, however, only provides rough guides to predicting immunological reactivity. There is no invariably predictable way to ensure immunological activity short of preparing a given amino acid sequence and testing the suspected sequence in an assay.

The use of recombinant polypeptides representing distinct antigenic regions of the HCV genome to detect the presence of an antibody to an HCV antigen is illustrated in Figure 2. The course of HCV infection in the chimpanzee, Pan, was followed with one assay using recombinant c100-3 polypeptide and with another improved assay, using the two recombinant antigens CKS-Core (pHCV-34) (SEQ.ID.NO 6 and 7) and pHCV-33c-BCD (pHCV-31) (SEQ.ID.NO 8 and 9) expressed by the plasmids pHCV-34 and pHCV-31, respectively. The assay utilizing the recombinant pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 proteins detected plasma antibody three weeks prior to detection of antibody by the assay using c100-3.

A summary of the results of a study which followed the course of HCV infection in Pan and six other chimpanzees using the two assays described above is summarized in Figure 3. Both assays gave negative results before inoculation and both assays detected the presence of antibodies after the animal had been infected with HCV. However, in the comparison of the two assays, the improved screening assay using pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 detected seroconversion to HCV antigens at an earlier or equivalent bleed date in six of the seven chimpanzees. Data from these chimpanzee studies clearly demonstrate that overall detection of HCV antibodies is greatly increased with the assay utilizing the pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 proteins. This test is sufficiently sensitive to detect seroconversion during the acute phase of this disease, as defined as an elevation in ALT levels, in most animals. Equally important is the high degree of specificity of the test as no pre-inoculation specimens were reactive.

The polypeptides useful in the practice of this invention are produced using recombinant technologies. The DNA sequences which encode the desired polypeptides

are preferably assembled from fragments of the total desired sequence. Synthetic DNA fragments of the HCV genome can be synthesized based on their corresponding amino acid sequences. Once the amino acid sequence is chosen, this is then reverse translated to determine the complementary DNA sequence using codons optimized to facilitate expression in the chosen system. The fragments are generally prepared using well known automated processes and apparatus. After the complete sequence has been prepared the desired sequence is incorporated into an expression vector which is transformed into a host cell. The DNA sequence is then expressed by the host cell to give the desired polypeptide which is harvested from the host cell or from the medium in which the host cell is cultured. When smaller peptides are to be made using recombinant technologies it may be advantageous to prepare a single DNA sequence which encodes several copies of the desired polypeptide in a connected chain. The long chain is then isolated and the chain is cleaved into the shorter, desired sequences.

The methodology of polymerase chain reaction (PCR) may also be employed to develop PCR amplified genes from any portion of the HCV genome, which in turn may then be cloned and expressed in a manner similar to the synthetic genes.

Vector systems which can be used include plant, bacterial, yeast, insect, and mammalian expression systems. It is preferred that the codons are optimized for expression in the system used.

A preferred expression system utilizes a carrier gene for a fusion system where the recombinant HCV proteins are expressed as a fusion protein of an E.coli enzyme, CKS (CTP:GMP-3-deoxy-manno-octulosonate cytidylyl transferase or CMP-KDO synthetase). The CKS method of protein synthesis is disclosed in U.S. Patent Applications Serial Nos. 167,067 and 276,263 filed March 11, 1988 and November 23, 1988, respectively, by Bolling (EPO 891029282) which enjoy common ownership and are incorporated herein by reference.

Other expression systems may be utilized including the lambda PL vector system whose features include a strong lambda pL promoter, a strong three-frame translation terminator rrnBt1, and translation starting at an ATG codon.

In the present invention, the amino acid sequences encoding for the recombinant HCV antigens of interest were reverse translated using codons optimized to facilitate high level expression in E.coli. Individual oligonucleotides were synthesized by the method of oligonucleotide directed double-stranded break repair disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 883,242, filed July 8, 1986 by Mandecki (EPO 87109357.1) which enjoys common ownership and is incorporated herein by reference. Alternatively, the individual oligonucleotides

may be synthesized on the Applied Biosystem 380A DNA synthesizer using methods and reagents recommended by the manufacturer. The DNA sequences of the individual oligonucleotides were confirmed using the Sanger dideoxy chain termination method (Sanger et al., J. Mole. Biol., 162:729 (1982)). These individual gene fragments were then annealed and ligated together and cloned as EcoRI-BamHI subfragments in the CKS fusion vector pJO200. After subsequent DNA sequence confirmation by the Sanger dideoxy chain termination method, the subfragments were digested with appropriate restriction enzymes, gel purified, ligated and cloned again as an EcoRI-BamHI fragment in the CKS fusion vector pJO200. The resulting clones were mapped to identify a hybrid gene consisting of the EcoRI-BamHI HCV fragment inserted at the 3' end of the CKS (CMP-KDO synthetase) gene. The resultant fusion proteins, under control of the lac promoter, consist of 239 amino acids of the CKS protein fused to the various regions of HCV.

The synthesis, cloning, and characterization of the recombinant polypeptides as well as the preferred formats for assays using these polypeptides are provided in the following examples. Examples 1 and 2 describe the synthesis and cloning of CKS-Core and CKS-33-BCD, respectively. Example 3 describes a screening assay. Example 4 describes a confirmatory assay. Example 5 describes a competition assay. Example 6 describes an immunodot assay. Example 7 describes the synthesis and cloning of HCV CKS-NS5E, CKS-NS5F, CKS-NS5G, CKS-NS5H and CKS-NS5I. Example 8 describes the preparation of HCV CKS-C100 vectors. Example 9 describes the preparation of HCV PCR derived expression vectors. Example 10 describes the synthesis and characterization of pHCV-77 of NS1. Example 11 describes the synthesis and characterization of pHCV-65 of NS1. Example 12 describes the synthesis and characterization of pHCV-78 of NS1. Example 13 describes the synthesis and characterization of pHCV-80 of NS1. Example 14 describes the synthesis and characterization of pHCV-92 of NS1.

REAGENTS AND ENZYMES

Media such as Luria-Bertani (LB) and Superbroth II (Dri Form) were obtained from Gibco Laboratories Life Technologies, Inc., Madison Wisconsin. Restriction enzymes, Klenow fragment of DNA polymerase I, T4 DNA ligase, T4 polynucleotide kinase, nucleic acid molecular weight standards, M13 sequencing system, X-gal (5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indonyl- β -D-galactoside), IPTG (isopropyl- β -D-thiogalactoside), glycerol, Dithiothreitol, 4-chloro-1-naphthol were purchased from Boehringer Mannheim Biochemicals, Indianapolis, Indiana; or New England Biolabs, Inc., Beverly, Massachusetts; or Bethesda Research

Laboratories Life Technologies, Inc., Gaithersburg, Maryland. Prestained protein molecular weight standards, acrylamide (crystallized, electrophoretic grade >99%); N-N'-Methylene-bis-acrylamide (BIS); N,N,N',N',-Tetramethylethylenediamine (TEMED) and sodium dodecylsulfate (SDS) were
5 purchased from BioRad Laboratories, Richmond, California. Lysozyme and ampicillin were obtained from Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, Missouri. Horseradish peroxidase (HRPO) labeled secondary antibodies were obtained from Kirkegaard & Perry Laboratories, Inc., Gaithersburg, Maryland. Seaplaque® agarose (low melting agarose) was purchased from FMC Bioproducts, Rockland,
10 Maine.

T50E10 contained 50mM Tris, pH 8.0, 10mM EDTA; 1X TG contained 100mM Tris, pH 7.5 and 10% glycerol; 2X SDS/PAGE loading buffer consisted of 15% glycerol, 5% SDS, 100mM Tris base, 1M β-mercaptoethanol and 0.8% Bromophenol blue dye; TBS contained 50 mM Tris, pH 8.0, and 150 mM sodium
15 chloride; Blocking solution consisted of 5% Carnation nonfat dry milk in TBS.

HOST CELL CULTURES, DNA SOURCES AND VECTORS

E.coli JM103 cells, pUC8, pUC18, pUC19 and M13 cloning vectors were purchased from Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology, Inc., Piscataway, New Jersey;
20 Competent Epicurean™ coli stains XL1-Blue and JM109 were purchased from Stratagene Cloning Systems, LaJolla, California. RR1 cells were obtained from Coli Genetic Stock Center, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut; and E.coli CAG456 cells from Dr. Carol Gross, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. Vector pRK248.clt was obtained from Dr. Donald R. Helinski, University of California,
25 San Diego, California.

GENERAL METHODS

All restriction enzyme digestion were performed according to suppliers' instructions. At least 5 units of enzyme were used per microgram of DNA, and
30 sufficient incubation was allowed to complete digestion of DNA. Standard procedures were used for minicell lysate DNA preparation, phenol-chloroform extraction, ethanol precipitation of DNA, restriction analysis of DNA on agarose, and low melting agarose gel purification of DNA fragments (Maniatis et al., Molecular Cloning. A Laboratory Manual [New York: Cold Spring Harbor, 1982]). Plasmid
35 isolations from E.coli strains used the alkali lysis procedure and cesium chloride-ethidium bromide density gradient method (Maniatis et al., supra). Standard buffers were used for T4 DNA ligase and T4 polynucleotide kinase (Maniatis et al.,

supra).

EXAMPLE 1. CKS-CORE

A. Construction of the Plasmid pJO200

5 The cloning vector pJO200 allows the fusion of recombinant proteins to the CKS protein. The plasmid consists of the plasmid pBR322 with a modified lac promoter fused to a KdsB gene fragment (encoding the first 239 of the entire 248 amino acids of the E.coli CMP-KDO synthetase of CKS protein), and a synthetic linker fused to the end of the KdsB gene fragment. The cloning vector pJO200 is a
10 modification of vector pTB210. The synthetic linker includes: multiple restriction sites for insertion of genes; translational stop signals, and the trpA rho-independent transcriptional terminator. The CKS method of protein synthesis as well as CKS vectors including pTB210 are disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Serial Nos. 167,067 and 276,263, filed March 11, 1988 and November 23,
15 1988, respectively, by Bolling (EPO 891029282) which enjoy common ownership, and are herein incorporated by reference.

B. Preparation of HCV CKS-Core Expression Vector

20 Six individual nucleotides representing amino acids 1-150 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 466 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJO200 as presented in Figure 4. The complete DNA sequence of this plasmid, designated pHCV-34, and the entire amino acid sequence of the pHCV-34 recombinant antigen produced is presented in SEQ.ID.NO 6 and 7. The resultant fusion protein HCV CKS-Core, consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, seven
25 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and the first 150 amino acids of HCV as illustrated in Figure 5.

30 The pHCV-34 plasmid and the CKS plasmid pTB210 were transformed into E.coli K-12 strain xL-1 (recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdRI7, supE44, relA1, lac/F', proAB, lacIqZDM15, TN10) cells made competent by the calcium chloride method. In these constructions the expression of the CKS fusion proteins was under the control of the lac promoter and was induced by the addition of IPTG. These plasmids replicated as independent elements, were nonmobilizable and were maintained at approximately 10-30 copies per cell.

C. Characterization of Recombinant HCV-Core

35 In order to establish that clone pHCV-34 expressed the unique HCV-CKS Core protein, the pHCV-34/XL-1 culture was grown overnight at 37°C in growth

media consisting of yeast extract, trytone, phosphate salts, glucose, and ampicillin. When the culture reached an OD600 of 1.0, IPTG was added to a final concentration of 1mM to induce expression. Samples (1.5 ml) were removed at 1 hour intervals, and cells were pelleted and resuspended to an OD600 of 1.0 in 2X SDS/PAGE loading
5 buffer. Aliquots (15ul) of the prepared samples were separated on duplicate
12.5% SDS/PAGE gels.

One gel was fixed in a solution of 50% methanol and 10% acetic acid for 20 minutes at room temperature, and then stained with 0.25% Coomassie blue dye in a solution of 50% methanol and 10% acetic acid for 30 minutes. Destaining was
10 carried out using a solution of 10% methanol and 7% acetic acid for 3-4 hours, or until a clear background was obtained.

Figure 6 presents the expression of pHCV-34 proteins in E.coli. Molecular weight standards were run in Lane M. Lane 1 contains the plasmid pJ0200-the CKS vector without the HCV sequence. The arrows on the left indicate the mobilities of
15 the molecular weight markers from top to bottom: 110,000; 84,000; 47,000; 33,000; 24,000; and 16,000 daltons. The arrows on the right indicate the mobilities of the recombinant HCV proteins. Lane 2 contains the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-34 expressing CKS-Core (amino acids 1 to 150) prior to induction; and Lane 3 after 3 hours of induction. The results show that the
20 recombinant protein pHCV-34 has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 48,000 daltons. This compares acceptably with the predicted molecular mass of 43,750 daltons.

Proteins from the second 12.5% SDS/PAGE gel were electrophoretically transferred to nitrocellulose for immunoblotting. The nitrocellulose sheet
25 containing the transferred proteins was incubated with Blocking Solution for one hour and incubated overnight at 4°C with HCV patients' sera diluted in TBS containing E.coli K-12 strain XL-1 lysate. The nitrocellulose sheet was washed three times in TBS, then incubated with HRPO-labeled goat anti-human IgG, diluted in TBS containing 10% fetal calf sera. The nitrocellulose was washed three times
30 with TBS and the color was developed in TBS containing 2 mg/ml 4-chloro-1-naphthol, 0.02% hydrogen peroxide and 17% methanol. Clone HCV-34 demonstrated a strong immunoreactive band at 48,000 daltons with the HCV patients' sera. Thus, the major protein in the Coomassie stained protein gel was immunoreactive. Normal human serum did not react with any component of pHCV-34.

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EXAMPLE 2. HCV CKS-33C-BCD

A. Preparation of HCV CKS-33c-BCD Expression Vector

The construction of this recombinant clone expressing the HCV CKS-33-BCD antigen was carried out in three steps described below. First, a clone expressing the HCV CKS-BCD antigen was constructed, designated pHCV-23. Second, a clone expressing the HCV CKS-33 antigen was constructed, designated pHCV-29. Lastly, the HCV BCD region was excised from pHCV-23 and inserted into pHCV-29 to construct a clone expressing the HCV CKS-33-BCD antigen, designated pHCV-31 (SEQ.ID.NO. 8 and 9).

To construct the plasmid pHCV-23, thirteen individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 1676-1931 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as three separate EcoRI-BamHI subfragments into the CKS fusion vector pJO200. After subsequent DNA sequence confirmation, the three subfragments, designated B, C, and D respectively, were digested with the appropriate restriction enzymes, gel purified, ligated together, and cloned as a 781 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment in the CKS fusion vector pJO200, as illustrated in Figure 7. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-23, expresses the HCV CKS-BCD antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-BCD antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, seven amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 256 amino acids from the HCV NS4 region (amino acids 1676-1931, and 10 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences).

To construct the plasmid pHCV-29 twelve individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 1192-1457 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as two separate EcoRI-BamHI subfragments in the CKS fusion vector pJO200. After subsequent DNA sequence confirmation, the two subfragments were digested with the appropriate restriction enzymes, gel purified, ligated together and cloned again as an 816 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment in the CKS fusion vector pJO200, as illustrated in Figure 8. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-29, expresses the CKS-33 antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-33 antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 266 amino acids from the HCV NS3 region (amino acids 1192-1457).

To construct the plasmid pHCV-31, the 781 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment from pHCV-23 representing the HCV-BCD region was linker-adapted to produce a ClaI-BamHI fragment which was then gel purified and ligated into pHCV-29 at the ClaI-BamHI sites as illustrated in Figure 9. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-31, expresses the pHCV-31 antigen under control of the lac promoter. The complete DNA sequence of pHCV-31 and the entire amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-33-BCD recombinant antigen produced is presented in

SEQ.ID.NO. 8 and 9. The HCV CKS-33-BCD antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 266 amino acids of the HCV NS3 region (amino acids 1192-1457), 2 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 256 amino acids of the HCV NS4 region (amino acids 1676-1931), and 10 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences. Figure 12 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-31 antigen.

The pHCV-31 plasmid was transformed into E.coli K-12 strain XL-I in a manner similar to the pHCV-34 and CKS-pTB210 plasmids of Example 1.

10 B. Characterization of Recombinant HCV CKS-33-BCD

Characterization of pHCV CKS-33-BCD was carried out in a manner similar to pHCV CKS-Core of Example 1. pHCV-23, pHCV SDS/PAGE gels were run for E.coli lysates containing the plasmids pHCV-29 (Figure 11), pHCV-23 (Figure 12), and pHCV-31 (Figure 13) expressing the recombinant fusion proteins CKS-33c, CKS-BCD, and CKS-33-BCD, respectively. For all three figures, molecular weight standards were run in Lane M, with the arrows on the left indicating mobilities of the molecular weight markers the from top to bottom: 110,000; 84,000; 47,000; 33,000; 24,000; and 16,000 daltons. In Figure 11, Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-29 expressing HCV CKS-33c (amino acids 1192 to 1457) prior to induction and lane 2 after 4 hours induction. These results show that the recombinant pHCV-29 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 60,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 54,911.

In Figure 12, Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pJO200-- the CKS vector without the HCV sequence. Lane 2, contained pHCV-20 expressing the HCV CKS-B (amino acids 1676 to 1790). Lane 3, contained the fusion protein pHCV-23 (amino acids 1676-1931). These results show that the recombinant pHCV-23 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 55,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 55,070 daltons.

In Figure 13, Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pJO200 the CKS vector without the HCV sequences. Lane 2 contained pHCV-31 expressing the CKS-33c-BCD fusion protein (amino acids 1192 to 1447 and 1676 to 1931) prior to induction and lane 3 after 2 hours induction. These results show that the recombinant pHCV-31 (CKS-33c-BCD) fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 90,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 82,995 daltons.

An immunoblot was also run on one of the SDS/PAGE gels derived from the pHCV-31/X1-1 culture. Human serum from an HCV exposed individual reacted strongly with the major pHCV-31 band at 90,000 daltons. Normal human serum did not react with any component of the pHCV-31 (CKS-33-BCD) preparations.

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EXAMPLE 3. SCREENING ASSAY

The use of recombinant polypeptides which contain epitopes within c100-3 as well as epitopes from other antigenic regions from the HCV genome, provide immunological assays which have increased sensitivity and may be more specific than HCV immunological assays using epitopes within c100-3 alone.

In the presently preferred screening assay, the procedure uses two E.coli expressed recombinant proteins, CKS-Core (pHCV-34) and CKS-33-BCD (pHCV-31), representing three distinct regions of the HCV genome. These recombinant polypeptides were prepared following procedures described above. In the screening assay, both recombinant antigens are coated onto the same polystyrene bead. In a modification of the screening assay the polystyrene bead may also be coated with the SOD-fusion polypeptide c100-3.

The polystyrene beads are first washed with distilled water and propanol and then incubated with a solution containing recombinant pHCV-31 diluted to 0.5 to 2.0 ug/ml and pHCV-34 diluted to 0.1 to 0.5 ug/ml in 0.1 M NaH₂PO₄·H₂O with 0.4M NaCl and 0.0022% Triton X-100, pH 6.5. The beads are incubated in the antigen solution for 2 hours (plus or minus 10 minutes) at 38-42°C, washed in PBS and soaked in 0.1% (w/v) Triton X-100 in PBS for 60 minutes at 38-42°C. The beads are then washed two times in phosphate buffered saline (PBS), overcoated with a solution of 5.0% (w/v) bovine serum albumin (BSA) in PBS for 60 minutes at 38-42°C and washed one time in PBS. Finally, the beads are overcoated with 5% (w/v) sucrose in PBS, and dried under nitrogen or air.

The polystyrene beads coated with pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 are used in an antibody capture format. Ten microliters of sample are added to the wells of the reaction tray along with 400 ul of a sample diluent and the recombinant coated bead. The sample diluent consists of 10% (v/v) bovine serum and 20% (v/v) goat serum in 20 mM Tris phosphate buffer containing 0.15% (v/v) Triton X-100, 1%(w/v) BSA, 1% E.coli lysate and 500 ug/ml or less CKS lysate. When the recombinant yeast c100-3 polypeptide is used, antibodies to yeast antigens which may be present in a sample are reacted with yeast extracts which are added to the sample diluent (typically about 200 ug/ml). The addition of yeast extracts to the sample diluent is used to prevent false positive results. The final material is sterile

filtered and filled in plastic bottles, and preserved with 0.1% sodium azide.

After one hour of incubation at 40°C, the beads are washed and 200 ul of conjugate is added to the wells of the reaction tray.

5 The preferred conjugate is goat anti-human IgG horseradish peroxidase conjugate. Concentrated conjugate is titered to determine a working concentration. A twenty-fold concentrate of the working conjugate solution is then prepared by diluting the concentrate in diluent. The 20X concentrate is sterile filtered and stored in plastic bottles.

10 The conjugate diluent includes 10% (v/v) bovine serum, 10% (v/v) goat serum and 0.15% Triton-X100 in 20 mM Tris buffer, pH 7.5 with 0.01% gentamicin sulfate, 0.01% thimerosal and red dye. The conjugate is sterile filtered and filled in plastic bottles.

15 Anti-HCV positive control is prepared from plasma units positive for antibodies to HCV. The pool of units used includes plasma with antibodies reactive to pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. The units are recalcified and heat inactivated at 59-61°C for 12 hours with constant stirring. The pool is aliquoted and stored at -20°C or at 2-8°C. For each lot of positive control, the stock solution is diluted with negative control containing 0.1% sodium azide as a preservative. The final material is sterile filtered and filled in plastic bottles.

20 Anti-HCV negative control is prepared from recalcified human plasma, negative for antibodies to pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 proteins of HCV. The plasma is also negative for antibodies to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and negative for hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg). The units are pooled, and 0.1% sodium azide is added as a preservative. The final material is sterile filtered and filled in plastic bottles.

25 After one hour of incubation with the conjugate at 40°C, the beads are washed, exposed to the OPD substrate for thirty minutes at room temperature and the reaction terminated by the addition of 1 N H₂SO₄. The absorbance is read at 492 nm.

30 In order to maintain acceptable specificity, the cutoff for the assay should be at least 5-7 standard deviations above the absorbance value of the normal population mean. In addition, it has generally been observed that acceptable specificity is obtained when the population mean runs at a sample to cutoff (S/CO) value of 0.25 or less. Consistent with these criteria, a "preclinical" cutoff for the screening assay was selected which clearly separated most of the presumed "true negative" from "true positive" specimens. The cutoff value was calculated as the sum of the positive control mean absorbance value multiplied by 0.25 and the

negative control mean absorbance value. The cutoff may be expressed algebraically as:

$$\text{Cutoff value} = 0.25 \text{ PCx} + \text{NCx}.$$

Testing may be performed by two methods which differ primarily in the degree of automation and the mechanism for reading the resulting color development in the assay. One method is referred to as the manual or Quantum™ method because Quantum or Quantumatic is used to read absorbance at 492 nm. It is also called the manual method because sample pipetting, washing and reagent additions are generally done manually by the technician, using appropriately calibrated pipettes, dispensers and wash instruments. The second method is referred to as the PPC method and utilizes the automated Abbott Commander® system. This system employs a pipetting device referred to as the Sample Management Center (SMC) and a wash/dispense/read device referred to as the Parallel Processing Center (PPC) disclosed in E.P.O. Publication No. 91114072.1. The optical reader used in the PPC has dual wavelength capabilities that can measure differential absorbencies (peak band and side band) from the sample wells. These readings are converted into results by the processor's Control Center.

Screening Assay Performance

2.0 1. Serum/Plasma From Inoculated Chimpanzees

As previously described, Table I summarizes the results of a study which followed the course of HCV infection in seven chimpanzees using a screening assay which utilized the c100-3 polypeptide, and the screening assay which utilized pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. Both assays gave negative results before inoculation and both assays detected the presence of antibodies after the animal had been infected with HCV. However, in the comparison of the two assays, the assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 detected seroconversion to HCV antigens at an earlier or equivalent bleed date in six of the seven chimpanzees. Data from these chimpanzee studies clearly demonstrate that overall detection of HCV antibodies is greatly increased with the assay utilizing the pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 proteins. This test is sufficiently sensitive to detect seroconversion during the acute phase of this disease, as defined as an elevation in ALT levels, in most animals. Equally important is the high degree of specificity of the test as no pre-inoculation specimens were reactive.

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2. Non-A, Non-B Panel II (H. Alter, NIH)

A panel of highly pedigreed human sera from Dr. H. Alter, NIH, Bethesda,

MD., containing infectious HCV sera, negative sera and other disease controls were tested. A total of 44 specimens were present in the panel.

5 Six of seven sera which were "proven infectious" in chimpanzees were positive in both the screening assay using c100-3 as well as in the screening assay utilizing the recombinant proteins pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. These six reactive specimens were obtained from individuals with chronic hepatitis. All six of the reactive specimens were confirmed positive using synthetic peptide sp67. One specimen obtained during the acute phase of NANB post-transfusion hepatitis was non-reactive in both screening assays.

10 In the group labeled "probable infectious" were three samples taken from the same post transfusion hepatitis patient. The first two acute phase samples were negative in both assays, but the third sample was reactive in both assay. The disease control samples and pedigreed negative controls were uniformly negative.

15 All sixteen specimens detected as positive by both screening assays were confirmed by the sp17 confirmatory assay (Figure 14). In addition, specimens 10 and 29 were newly detected in the screening assay utilizing the recombinant pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 antigens and were reactive by the sp75 confirmatory assay. Specimen 39 was initially reactive in the screening test utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31, but upon retesting was negative and could not be confirmed by the confirmatory assays.

20 In summary, both screening tests identified 6 of 6 chronic NANBH carriers and 1 of 4 acute NANBH samples. Paired specimens from an implicated donor were non-reactive in the screening test utilizing c100-3 but were reactive in the screening test with pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. Thus, the screening test utilizing the recombinant antigens pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 appears to be more sensitive than the screening assay utilizing c100-3. None of the disease control specimens or pedigreed negative control specimens were reactive in either screening assay.

3. CBER Reference Panel

30 A reference panel for antibody to Hepatitis C was received from the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER). This 10 member panel consists of eight reactive samples diluted in normal human sera negative for antibody to HCV and two sera that contain no detectable antibody to HCV. This panel was run on the Ortho first generation HCV EIA assay, the screening assay utilizing c100-3 and the screening assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. The assay results are presented in Figure 15.

The screening assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 detected all six of the

HCV positive or borderline sample dilutions. The two non-reactive sample dilutions (709 and 710) appear to be diluted well beyond endpoint of antibody detectability for both screening assays. A marked increase was observed in the sample to cutoff values for three of the members on the screening assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 compared to the screening assay utilizing c100-3 or the Ortho first generation test. All repeatably reactive specimens were confirmed.

EXAMPLE 4. CONFIRMATORY ASSAY

The confirmatory assay provides a means for unequivocally identifying the presence of an antibody that is immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen. The confirmatory assay includes synthetic peptides or recombinant antigens representing major epitopes contained within the three distinct regions of the HCV genome, which are the same regions represented by the two recombinant antigens described in the screening assay. Recombinant proteins used in the confirmatory assay should have a heterologous source of antigen to that used in the primary screening assay (i.e. should not be an E.coli-derived recombinant antigen nor a recombinant antigen composed in part, of CKS sequences). Specimens repeatedly reactive in the primary screening assay are retested in the confirmatory assay. Aliquots containing identical amounts of specimen are contacted with a synthetic peptide or recombinant antigen individually coated onto a polystyrene bead. Seroreactivity for epitopes within the c100-3 region of the HCV genome are confirmed by use of the synthetic peptides sp67 and sp65. The synthetic peptide sp117 can also be used to confirm seroreactivity with the c100-3 region. Seroreactivity for HCV epitopes within the putative core region of HCV are confirmed by the use of the synthetic peptide sp75. In order to confirm seroreactivity for HCV epitopes within the 33c region of HCV, a recombinant antigen expressed as a chimeric protein with superoxide dismutase (SOD) in yeast is used. Finally, the antibody-antigen complex is detected.

The assay protocols were similar to those described in Example 3 above. The peptides are each individually coated onto polystyrene beads and used in an antibody capture format similar to that described for the screening assay. Ten microliters of specimen are added to the wells of a reaction tray along with 400 ul of a specimen diluent and a peptide coated bead. After one hour of incubation at 40°C, the beads are washed and 200 ul of conjugate (identical to that described in Example 3) is added to the wells of the reaction tray. After one hour of incubation at 40°C, the beads are washed, exposed to the OPD substrate for 30 minutes at room temperature and the reaction terminated by the addition of 1 N H₂SO₄. The absorbance is read at

492 nm. The cutoff value for the peptide assay is 4 times the mean of the negative control absorbance value.

1. Panels containing Specimens "At Risk" for HCV Infection.

5 A group of 233 specimens representing 23 hemodialysis patients all with clinically diagnosed NANBH were supplied by Gary Gitnick, M.D. at the University of California, Los Angeles Center for the Health Sciences. These samples which were tested in by the screening assay utilizing c100-3 were subsequently tested in the screening assay which uses pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. A total of 7/23 patients
10 (30.44%) were reactive in the c100-3 screening assay, with a total of 36 repeat reactive specimens. Ten of 23 patients (43.48%) were reactive by the screening assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34, with a total of 70 repeatable reactivities among the available specimens (Figure 16). Two specimens were unavailable for testing. All of the 36 repeatedly reactive specimens detected in the c100-3
15 screening assay were confirmed by synthetic peptide confirmatory assays. A total of 34 of these 36 were repeatedly reactive on HCV EIA utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31; two specimens were not available for testing. Of the 36 specimens additionally detected by the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31, 9 were confirmed by the core peptide confirmatory assay (sp75) and 27 were
20 confirmed by the SOD-33c confirmatory assay.

 In summary these data indicate that detection of anti-HCV by the screening assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 may occur at an equivalent bleed date or as many as 9 months earlier, when compared to the c100-3 screening assay. Figure 17 depicts earlier detection by the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31
25 in a hemodialysis patient.

5. Acute/Chronic Non-A, Non-B Hepatitis

 A population of specimens was identified from individuals diagnosed as having acute or chronic NANBH. Specimens from individuals with acute cases of
30 NANBH were received from Gary Gitnick, M.D. at the University of California, Los Angeles Center for Health Sciences. The diagnosis of acute hepatitis was based on the presence of a cytolytic syndrome (ALT levels greater than 2X the upper normal limit) on at least 2 serum samples for a duration of less than 6 months with or without other biological abnormalities and clinical symptoms. All specimens were
35 also negative for IgM antibodies to Hepatitis A Virus (HAV) and were negative for Hepatitis B surface Ag when tested with commercially available tests. Specimens from cases of chronic NANBH were obtained from two clinical sites. Individuals

were diagnosed as having chronic NANBH based on the following criteria: persistently elevated ALT levels, liver biopsy results, and/or the absence of detectable HBsAg. Specimens with biopsy results were further categorized as either chronic active NANBH, chronic persistent NANBH, or chronic NANBH with cirrhosis.

These specimens were tested by both the c100-3 screening assay and the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31. The latter testing was performed in replicates of two by both the Quantum and PPC methods.

Community Acquired NANBH (Acute)

The c100-3 screening assay detected 2 of 10 specimens (20.00%) as repeatedly reactive, both of which were confirmed. The screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 detected both of these specimens plus an additional 2 specimens (Figure 18). These 2 specimens were confirmed by sp75 (see Figure 19).

Acute Post-Transfusion NANBH

The c100-3 assay detected 4 of 32 specimens (12.50%) as repeatedly reactive, all of which were confirmed. The screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 detected 3 out of these 4 specimens (75%) as reactive. The one sample that was missed had an S/CO of 0.95 by the latter screening test. This sample was confirmed by the sp67 peptide (Figure 18). In addition, the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31 detected 11 specimens not reactive in the c100-3 screening assay. Of the 9 specimens available for confirmation, 8 were confirmed by sp75 and 1 could not be confirmed but had an S/CO of 0.90 in the sp65 confirmatory test. (see Figure 19).

Chronic NANBH

A summary of the results on these populations is shown in Figure 20. Overall, 155 of 164 (94.5%) chronic NANBH samples were detected by the screening test utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34 using either Quantum or PPC. The 155 reactive samples were all confirmed in alternate assays using synthetic peptides based on sequences from either the cl00, 33c or core regions of the HCV genome. In contrast, only 138 of 164 (84.1%) specimens were positive by the cl00-3 assay. All but one of the 138 c100-3 samples were detected as positive by the screening assay utilizing pHCV-31 and pHCV-34. The one discordant specimen was not confirmed by either synthetic or neutralization assays. Conversely, there were 17 confirmed specimens which were positive only by the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-31.

The results indicate that the screening assay utilizing pHCV-34 and pHCV-

31 is more sensitive than the current test in detecting HCV positive individuals within chronically infected NANBH populations.

EXAMPLE 5. Competition ASSAY

5 The recombinant polypeptides containing antigenic HCV epitopes are useful for competition assays. To perform a neutralization assay, a recombinant polypeptide representing epitopes within the c100-3 region such as CKS-BCD (pHCV-23) is solubilized and mixed with a sample diluent to a final concentration of 0.5-50 ug/ml. Ten microliters of specimen or diluted specimen is added to a
10 reaction well followed by 400 ul of the sample diluent containing the recombinant polypeptide and if desired, the mixture may be preincubated for about fifteen minutes to two hours. A bead coated with c100-3 antigen is then added to the reaction well and incubated for one hour at 40°C. After washing, 200 ul of a peroxidase labeled goat anti-human IgG in conjugate diluent is added and incubated
15 for one hour at 40°C. After washing, OPD substrate is added and incubated at room temperature for thirty minutes. The reaction is terminated by the addition of 1 N sulfuric acid and the absorbance read at 492 nm.

 Samples containing antibodies to the c100-3 antigen generate a reduced signal caused by the competitive binding of the peptides to these antibodies in
20 solution. The percentage of competitive binding may be calculated by comparing the absorbance value of the sample in the presence of a recombinant polypeptide to the absorbance value of the sample assayed in the absence of a recombinant polypeptide at the same dilution.

EXAMPLE 6. IMMUNODOT ASSAY

25 The immunodot assay system uses a panel of purified recombinant polypeptides placed in an array on a nitrocellulose solid support. The prepared solid support is contacted with a sample and captures specific antibodies to HCV antigens. The captured antibodies are detected by a conjugate-specific reaction.
30 Preferably, the conjugate specific reaction is quantified using a reflectance optics assembly within an instrument which has been described in U.S. Patent Applications Serial No. 07/227,408 filed August 2, 1988. The related U.S. Patent Applications Serial Nos. 07/227,272, 07/227,586 and 07/227,590 further describe specific methods and apparatus useful to perform an immunodot assay. The assay has also
35 been described in U.S. Application Serial No. 07/532,489 filed June 6, 1990. Briefly, a nitrocellulose-base test cartridge is treated with multiple antigenic polypeptides. Each polypeptide is contained within a specific reaction zone on the

test cartridge. After all the antigenic polypeptides have been placed on the nitrocellulose, excess binding sites on the nitrocellulose are blocked. The test cartridge is then contacted with a sample such that each antigenic polypeptide in each reaction zone will react if the sample contains the appropriate antibody. After
5 reaction, the test cartridge is washed and any antigen-antibody reactions are identified using suitable well known reagents.

As described in the patent applications listed above, the entire process is amenable to automation. The specifications of these applications related to the method and apparatus for performing an immunodot assay are incorporated by
10 reference herein.

In a preferred immunodot assay, the recombinant polypeptides pHCV-23, pHCV-29, pHCV-34, and c100-3 were diluted in the preferred buffers, pH conditions, and spotting concentrations as summarized in Figure 21 and applied to a preassembled nitrocellulose test cartridge. After drying the cartridge overnight at
15 room temperature 37°C, the non-specific binding capacity of the nitro-cellulose phase was blocked. The blocking solution contained 1% porcine gelatin, 1% casein enzymatic hydrolysate, 5% Tween-20, 0.1% sodium azide, 0.5 M sodium chloride and 20 mM Tris, pH 7.5.

Forty normal donors were assayed by following the method described above.
20 The mean reflectance density value then was determined for each of the recombinant proteins. A cutoff value was calculated as the negative mean plus six standard deviations. Test cartridges were incubated with samples A00642 and 423 (see Figure 22). Sample A00642 was from a convalescent non-A, non-B hepatitis patient, diluted in negative human plasma from 1:100 to 1:12800. The other
25 sample, 423, was from a paid plasma donor which tested positive in an assay using a recombinant c100-3 polypeptide, diluted in negative human plasma from 1:40 to 1:2560. After sample incubation, sequential incubations with a biotin-conjugated goat anti-human immunoglobulin-specific antibody, an alkaline phosphatase-conjugated rabbit anti-biotin specific antibody, and 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl
30 phosphate produced a colored product at the site of the reaction. Sample to cutoff values (S/CO) were determined for all HCV recombinant proteins. Those S/CO values greater than or equal to 1.0 were considered reactive. The limiting dilution was defined as the lowest dilution at which the S/CO was greater than or equal to 1.0. As seen in Figure 22, each sample tested positive for all HCV recombinant
35 proteins. The data demonstrate that reactivity for sample A00642 was greatest with pHCV-29, and decreased for the remaining antigens pHCV-23, c100-3, and pHCV-34. Sample 423 most strongly reacted with the recombinant proteins

expressing pHCV-29 and pHCV-34, and to a lesser extent with pHCV-23 and c100-3.

EXAMPLE 7. HCV CKS-NS5 EXPRESSION VECTORS

5 A. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS5E

Eight individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 1932-2191 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 793 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-45 (SEQ.ID.NO 8), expresses the HCV CKS-NS5E antigen under control of the
10 lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS5E antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, nine amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 260 amino acids from the HCV NS4/NS5 region (amino acids 1932-2191). Figure 23 presents a schematic representation of the recombinant antigen expressed by pHCV-45. SEQ.ID.NO. 10 and 11 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS5E recombinant
15 antigen produced by pHCV-45. Figure 24 presents the expression of pHCV-45 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-45 expressing the HCV CKS-NS5E antigen (amino acids 1932-2191) prior to induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours post induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-45 fusion protein has an apparent mobility
20 corresponding to a molecular size of 55,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 57,597 daltons.

B. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS5F

Eleven individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 2188-2481 of
25 the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 895 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-48, expresses the HCV CKS-NS5F antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS5F antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 294 amino acids from the HCV NS5 region
30 (amino acids 2188-2481). Figure 25 presents a schematic representation of the recombinant antigen expressed by pHCV-48. SEQ.ID.NO. 12 and 13 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS5F recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-48. Figure 26 presents the expression of pHCV-48 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-48 expressing the HCV CKS-NS5F
35 antigen (amino acids 2188-2481) prior to induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours post induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-48 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 65,000

daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 58,985 daltons.

C. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS5G

5 Seven individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 2480-2729 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 769 base pair EcoRI-BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-51 (SEQ.ID.NO. 10), expresses the HCV CKS-NS5G antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS5G antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS,
10 eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 250 amino acids from the HCV NS5 region (amino acids 2480-2729). Figure 27 presents a schematic representation of the recombinant antigen expressed by pHCV-51. SEQ.NO.ID NO.14 and 15 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS5G recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-51. Figure 28 presents the expression of pHCV-51
15 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-51 expressing the HCV CKS-NS5G antigen (amino acids 2480-2729) prior to induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours post induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-51 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 55,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to
20 the predicted molecular mass of 54,720 daltons.

D. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS5H

 Six individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 2728-2867 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 439 base pair EcoRI-BamHI
25 fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-50 (SEQ.NO.ID.11) expresses the HCV CKS-NS5H antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS5H antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 140 amino acids from the HCV NS5 region (amino acids 2728-2867). Figure 29 presents a schematic
30 representation of the recombinant antigen expressed by pHCV-50. SEQ.ID.NO. 16 and 17 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS5H recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-50. Figure 30 presents the expression of pHCV-50 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-50
 expressing the HCV CKS-NS5H antigen (amino acids 2728-2867) prior to
35 induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours post induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-50 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 45,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to

the predicted molecular mass of 42,783 daltons.

E. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS5I

Six individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 2866-3011 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 460 base pair EcoRI-BamHI
5 fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-49 (SEQ.NO.ID.NO. 12), expresses the HCV CKS-NS5I antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS5I antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 146 amino acids from the HCV NS5 region (amino acids 2866-3011). Figure 31 presents a schematic
10 representation of the recombinant antigen expressed by pHCV-49. SEQ.ID.NO. 18 and 19 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS5I recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-49. Figure 32 presents the expression of pHCV-49 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-49 expressing HCV CKS-NS5I antigen (amino acids 2866-3011) prior to induction
15 and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours post induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-49 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 42,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 43,497 daltons.

20 F. Immunoblot of HCV CKS-NS5 Antigens

Induced E.coli lysates containing pHCV-23, pHCV-45, pHCV-48, pHCV-51, pHCV-50, or pHCV-49 were individually run on preparative SDS/PAGE gels to separate the various HCV CKS-NS5 or HCV CKS-BCD recombinant antigens assay from the majority of other E.coli proteins. Gel slices containing the separated
25 individual HCV CKS-NS5 or HCV CKS-BCD recombinant antigens were then electrophoretically transferred to nitrocellulose, and the nitrocellulose sheet cut into strips. Figure 40 presents the results of a Western Blot analysis of various serum or plasma samples using these nitrocellulose strips. The arrows on the right indicate the position of each HCV CKS-BCD or HCV CKS-NS5 recombinant antigen,
30 from top to bottom pHCV-23 (HCV CKS-BCD), pHCV-45 (HCV CKS-NS5E), pHCV-48 (HCV CKS-NS5F), pHCV-51 (HCV CKS-NS5G), pHCV-50 (HCV CKS-NS5H), pHCV-49 (HCV CKS-NS5I), and pJ0200 (CKS). Panel A contained five normal human plasma, panel B contained five normal human sera, panel C contained twenty human sera positive in the Abbott HCV EIA test, panel D contained two mouse sera
35 directed against CKS, and panel E contained two normal mouse sera. Both the HCV CKS-NS5E antigen expressed by pHCV-45 and the HCV CKS-NS5F antigen expressed by pHCV-48 were immunoreactive when screened with human serum

samples containing HCV antibodies.

EXAMPLE 8. HCV CKS-C100

A. Preparation of HCV CKS-C100 Vectors

5 Eighteen individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 1569-1931 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as four separate EcoRI-BamHI subfragments into the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. After subsequent DNA sequences confirmation, the four subfragments were digested with the appropriate restriction enzymes, gel purified, ligated together, and cloned as an 1102 base pair EcoRI-
10 BamHI fragment in the CKS fusion vector pJ0200. The resulting plasmid, designated pHCV-24, expresses the HCV CKS-C100 antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-c100 antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 363 amino acids from the HCV NS4 region (amino acids 1569-1931) and 10 additional amino acids contributed
15 by linker DNA sequences. The HCV CKS-c100 antigen was expressed at very low levels by pHCV-24.

Poor expression levels of this HCV CKS-c100 recombinant antigen were overcome by constructing two additional clones containing deletions in the extreme amino terminal portion of the HCV c100 region. The first of these clones,
20 designated pHCV-57 (SEQ.ID.NO. 20 and 21), contains a 23 amino acid deletion (HCV amino acids 1575-1597) and was constructed by deleting a 69 base pair DdeI restriction fragment. The second of these clones, designated pHCV-58 (SEQ.ID.NO. 22 and 23), contains a 21 amino acid deletion (HCV amino acids 1600-1620) and was constructed by deleting a 63 base pair NlaIV-HaeIII restriction fragment.
25 Figure 34 presents a schematic representation of the recombinant antigens expressed by pHCV-24, pHCV-57, and pHCV-58. SEQ.ID. NO. 13 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV-C100D1 recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-57. SEQ.ID.NO. 14 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV-C100D2 recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-58. Figure 35 presents the
30 expression of pHCV-24, pHCV-57, and pHCV-58 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-24 expressing the HCV CKS-c100 antigen (amino acids 1569-1931) prior to induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours post induction, respectively. Lane 4 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-57 expressing the HCV-CKS-C100D1 antigen (amino acids 1569-1574 and
35 1598-1931) prior to induction and lanes 5 and 6 after 2 and 4 hours induction, respectively. Lane 7 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-58 expressing the HCV CKS-C100D2 antigen (amino acids 1569-1599 and 1621-1931) prior to

induction, and lanes 8 and 9 after 2 and 4 hours induction, respectively. These results show that both the pHCV-57 and pHCV-58 fusion proteins express at significantly higher levels than the pHCV-24 fusion protein and that both the pHCV-57 and pHCV-58 fusion proteins have an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular size of 65,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 64,450 daltons for pHCV-57 and 64,458 daltons for pHCV-58.

EXAMPLE 9. HCV PCR DERIVED EXPRESSION VECTORS

A. Preparation of HCV DNA Fragments

RNA was extracted from the serum of various chimpanzees or humans infected with HCV by first subjecting the samples to digestion with Proteinase K and SDS for 1 hour at 37° centigrade followed by numerous phenol:chloroform extractions. The RNA was then concentrated by several ethanol precipitations and resuspended in water. RNA samples were then reverse transcribed according to supplier's instructions using a specific primer. A second primer was then added and PCR amplification was performed according to supplier's instructions. An aliquot of this PCR reaction was then subjected to an additional round of PCR using nested primers located internal to the first set of primers. In general, these primers also contained restriction endonuclease recognition sequences to be used for subsequent cloning. An aliquot of this second round nested PCR reaction was then subjected to agarose gel electrophoresis and Southern blot analysis to confirm the specificity of the PCR reaction. The remainder of the PCR reaction was then digested with the appropriate restriction enzymes, the HCV DNA fragment of interest gel purified, and ligated to an appropriate cloning vector. This ligation was then transformed into E.coli and single colonies were isolated and plasmid DNA prepared for DNA sequences analysis. The DNA sequences was then evaluated to confirm that the specific HCV coding region of interest was intact. HCV DNA fragments obtained in this manner were then cloned into appropriate vectors for expression analysis.

B. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS3

Using the methods detailed above, a 474 base pair DNA fragment from the putative NS3 region of HCV was generated by PCR. This fragment represents HCV amino acids #1473-1629 and was cloned into the CKS expression vector pJ0201 by blunt-end ligation. The resulting clone, designated pHCV-105, expresses the HCV CKS-NS3 antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS3 antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, 12 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 157 amino acids from the HCV NS3 region (amino acids 1473-1629),

and 9 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences. Figure 36 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-105 antigen. SEQ.ID.NO. 24 and 25 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS3 recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-105. Figure 37 presents the expression of pHCV-105 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-105 expressing the HCV CKS-NS3 antigen (amino acids 1472-1629) prior to induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-105 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular mass of 43,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 46,454 daltons.

C. Preparation of HCV CKS-5'ENV

Using the methods detailed above, a 489 base pair DNA fragment from the putative envelope region of HCV was generated by PCR. This fragment represents the HCV amino acids 114-276 and was cloned into the CKS expression vector pJ0202 using EcoRI-BamHI restriction sites. The resulting clone, designated pHCV-103 (SEQ.ID.NO. 26 and 27), expresses the HCV CKS-5'ENV antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-5'ENV antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, 7 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 163 amino acids from the HCV envelope region (amino acids 114-276), and 16 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences. Figure 38 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-103 antigen. SEQ.ID.NO. 26 and 27 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-5'ENV recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-103. Figure 37 presents the expression of pHCV-103 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-103 expressing the HCV CKS-5'ENV antigen (amino acids 114-276) prior to induction and lanes 5 and 6 after 2 and 4 hours induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-103 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular mass of 47,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 46,091 daltons.

D. Preparation of HCV CKS-3'ENV

Using the methods detailed above, a 621 base pair DNA fragment from the putative envelope region of HCV was generated by PCR. This fragment represents HCV amino acids 263-469 and was cloned into the CKS expression vector pJ0202 using EcoRI restriction sites. The resulting clone, designated pHCV-101 (SEQ.ID.NO. 17), expresses the HCV CKS-3'ENV antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-3'ENV antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, 7 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 207 amino acids from the HCV

envelope region (amino acids 263-469), and 15 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences. Figure 39 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-101 antigen. SEQ.ID.NO. 28 and 29 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-3'ENV recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-101. Figure 37 presents the expression of pHCV-101 proteins in E.coli. Lane 7 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-101 expressing the HCV CKS-3'ENV antigen (amino acids 263-469) prior to induction and lanes 8 and 9 after 2 and 4 hours induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-101 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular mass of 47,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 51,181 daltons.

E. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS2

Using the methods detailed above, a 636 base pair DNA fragment from the putative NS2 region of HCV was generated by PCR. This fragment represents the HCV amino acids 994-1205 and was cloned into the CKS expression vector pJ0201 using EcoRI restriction sites. The resulting clone, designated pHCV-102, expresses the HCV CKS-NS2 antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS2 antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, 7 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 212 amino acids from the HCV NS2 region (amino acids 994-1205), and 16 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences. Figure 40 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-102 antigen. SEQ.ID.NO. 30 and 31 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS2 recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-102. Figure 41 presents the expression of pHCV-102 proteins in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-102 expressing the HCV CKS-NS2 antigen (amino acids 994-1205) prior to induction and lanes 2 and 3 after 2 and 4 hours induction, respectively. These results show that the pHCV-102 fusion protein has an apparent mobility corresponding to a molecular mass of 53,000 daltons. This compares acceptably to the predicted molecular mass of 51,213 daltons.

F. Preparation of HCV CKS-NS1

Using the methods detailed above, a 654 base pair DNA fragment from the putative NS1 region of HCV was generated by PCR. This fragment represents HCV amino acids 617-834 and was cloned into the CKS expression vector pJ0200 using EcoRI-BamHI restriction sites. The resulting clone, designated pHCV-107, expresses the HCV CKS-NS1 antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-NS1 antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, 10 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 218 amino acids from the HCV NS1 region (amino acids 617-834). Figure 42 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-107

antigen. SEQ.ID.NO. 32 and 33 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-NS1 recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-107.

G. Preparation of HCV CKS-ENV

Using the methods detailed above, a 1068 base pair DNA fragment from the putative envelope region of HCV was generated by PCR. This fragment represents HCV amino acids #114-469 and was cloned into the CKS expression vector pJ0202 using EcoRI restriction sites. The resulting clone, designated pHCV-104, expresses the HCV CKS-ENV antigen under control of the lac promoter. The HCV CKS-ENV antigen consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, 7 amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, 356 amino acids from the HCV envelope region (amino acids 114-469), and 15 additional amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences. Figure 43 presents a schematic representation of the pHCV-104 antigen. SEQ.ID.NO. 34 and 35 presents the DNA and amino acid sequence of the HCV CKS-ENV recombinant antigen produced by pHCV-104.

EXAMPLE 10. HCV CKS-NS1S1

A. Construction of the HCV CKS-NS1S1 Expression Vector

Eight individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 365-579 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 645 base pair EcoRI/BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJO200. The amino acid sequence of this antigen is designated as pHCV-77 (SEQ. ID. NO. 1). The resultant fusion protein HCV CKS-NS1S1 consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, seven amino acids contributed by linked DNA sequences, and 215 amino acids from the NS1 region of the HCV genome.

B. Production and Characterization of the Recombinant Antigen HCV-NS1S1

pHCV-77 was transformed into E.coli K-12 strain XL-1 (recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17, SupE44, relA1, lac/f1, p10AB, lacI1ADM15, TN10) cells. Expression analysis and characterization of the recombinant protein was done using polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis as described in Example 1. The apparent molecular weight of the pHCV-77 antigen was the same as the expected molecular weight of 50,228 as visualized on a coumassie stained gel. The immunoreactivity as determined by Western blot analysis using human sera indicated that this recombinant antigen was indeed immunoreactive. FIGURE 47A presents the expression of pHCV-77 in E.coli. FIGURE 47B presents an immunoblot of the pHCV-77 antigen expressed in E.coli. Lane 1 contained the E.coli lysate containing pHCV-77 expressing the HCV CKS-NS1S1 antigen prior to induction and Lanes 2 and 3 are 2 and 4 hours post-induction, respectfully.

EXAMPLE 11. HCV CKS-NS1S2

A. Construction of the HCV CKS-NS1S2 Expression Vector

Six individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 565-731 of the HCV genome was ligated together and cloned as a 501 base pair EcoRI/BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJO200. The complete amino acid sequence of this antigen is designated as pHCV-65 (SEQ. ID. NO. 2). The resultant fusion protein HCV CKS-NS1S2 consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 167 amino acids from the NS1 region of the HCV genome.

B. Production and Characterization of the Recombinant Antigen HCV-NS1S2

pHCV-65 was transformed into E.coli K-12 strain XL-1 (recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17, SupE44, relA1, lac/f1, p10AB, lacIqAMD15, TN10) cells. Expression analysis and characterization of the recombinant protein was done using polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis as described in Example 1. The apparent molecular weight of the pHCV-65 antigen was the same as the expected molecular weight of 46,223 as visualized on a coumassie stained gel. The immunoreactivity as determined by Western blot analysis using human sera indicated that this recombinant antigen was indeed immunoreactive. FIGURE 48A presents the expression of pHCV-65 in E. coli. FIGURE 48B presents an immunoblot of the pHCV-65 antigen expressed in E. coli. Lane 1 contained the E. coli lysate containing pHCV-65 expressing the HCV CKS-NS1S2 antigen prior to induction and Lanes 2 and 3 are 2 and 4 hours post-induction, respectively.

EXAMPLE 12. CKS-NS1S3

A. Construction of the HCV CKS-NS1S3 Expression Vector

Six individual oligonucleotides representing amino acids 717-847 of the HCV genome were ligated together and cloned as a 393 base pair EcoRI/BamHI fragment into the CKS fusion vector pJO200. The complete amino acid sequence of this antigen is designated as pHCV-78 (SEQ. ID. NO. 3). The resultant fusion protein HCV CKS-NS1S3 consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, eight amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 131 amino acids from the NS1 region of the HCV genome.

B. Production and Characterization of the Recombinant Antigen HCV-NS1S3

pHCV-78 was transformed into E.coli K-12 strain XL-1 (recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17, SupE44, relA1, lac/f1, p10AB, lacIqADM15, TN10) cells. Expression analysis and characterization of the recombinant protein was done using

polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis as described in Example 1. Analysis of the coumassie stained gel indicated very low levels of expression of the protein with an expected molecular weight of 42,1141. Western blot analysis also failed to show any immunoreactivity and we are continuing to identify human sera that is specific to this region of NS1.

EXAMPLE 13. CKS-NS1S1-NS1S2

A. Construction of the HCV CKS-NS1S1-NS1S2 Expression Vector

The construction of pHCV-80 (NS1S1-NS1S2) involved using the
10 SacI/BamHI insert from pHCV-65 and ligating that into the SacI/BamHI vector backbone of pHCV-77. The resultant HCV gene represents amino acids 365-731 of the HCV genome. This resulted in a 1101 base pair EcoRI/BamHI fragment of HCV cloned into the CKS fusion vector pJO200. The complete amino acid sequence of this antigen is designated as pHCV-80 (SEQ. ID. NO. 4). The resultant fusion protein
15 HCV CKS NS1S1-NS1S2 consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, seven amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 367 amino acids from the NS1 region of the HCV genome.

B. Production and Characterization of the Recombinant Antigen HCV-NS1S1-NS1S2

pHCV-80 was transformed into E.coli K-12 strain XL-1 (recA1, endA1,
20 gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17, SupE44, relA1, lac/f1, p10AB, lacIqADM15, TN10) cells. Expression analysis and characterization of the recombinant protein was done using polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis as described in Example 1. The apparent molecular weight of the pHCV-80 antigen was the same as the expected molecular weight of 68,454 as visualized on a coumassie stained gel. The immunoreactivity as
25 determined by Western blot analysis using human sera indicated that this recombinant antigen was very immunoreactive. FIGURE 49A presents the expression of pHCV-80 in E. coli. FIGURE 49B presents an immunoblot of pHCV-80 antigen expressed in E. coli. Lane 1 contained the E. coli lysate containing pHCV-80 expressing the HCV CKS-NS1S1-NS1S2 antigen prior to induction and Lanes 2
30 and 3 are 2 and 4 hours post-induction, respectively.

EXAMPLE 14. HCV CKS-FULL LENGTH NS1

A. Construction of the HCV CKS-full length NS1 Expression Vector

The construction of pHCV-92 (SEQ. ID. NO. 5) full length NS1) involved
35 using the XhoI/BamHI insert from pHCV-78 (SEQ. ID. NO. 3) and ligating that into the XhoI/BamHI vector backbone of pHCV-80 (SEQ. ID. NO. 4). The resultant HCV gene represents amino acids 365-847 of the HCV genome. This resulted in a 1449

base pair EcoRI/BamHI fragment of HCV cloned into CKS fusion vector pJO200. The complete amino acid sequence of this antigen is designated as pHCV-92 (SEQ. ID. NO. 5). The resultant fusion protein HCV CKS-full length NS1 consists of 239 amino acids of CKS, seven amino acids contributed by linker DNA sequences, and 483 amino acids from the NS1 region of the HCV genome.

B. Production and Characterization of the Recombinant Antigen pHCV-92

pHCV-92 was transformed into E.coli K-12 strain XL-1 (recA1, endA1, gyrA96, thi-1, hsdR17, SupE44, relA1, lac/f1, p10AB, lacIqADM15, TN10) cells. Expression analysis and characterization of the recombinant protein was done using polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis as described in Example 1. The expression levels as seen by counassie stained gel were virtually undetectable and the Western blot indicated no immunoreactivity. We are still in the process of identifying sera that will recognize this region of HCV NS1.

The present invention thus provides unique recombinant antigens representing distinct antigenic regions of the HCV genome which can be used as reagents for the detection and/or confirmation of antibodies and antigens in test samples from individuals exposed to HCV. The NS1 protein is considered to be a non-structural membrane glycoprotein and to be able to elicit a protective immune response of the host against lethal viral infection.

The recombinant antigens, either alone or in combination, can be used in the assay formats provided herein and exemplified in the Examples. It also is contemplated that these recombinant antigens can be used to develop specific inhibitors of viral replication and used for therapeutic purposes, such as for vaccines. Other applications and modifications of the use of these antigens and the specific embodiments of this inventions as set forth herein, will be apparent to those skilled in the art. Accordingly, the invention is intended to be limited only in accordance with the appended claims.

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:1:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu

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1	5	10	15
Pro Gly Lys	Pro Leu Val	Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys	Pro Met Ile Val His
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Val Leu Glu Arg	Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly	Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile	Val Ala
35	40	45	
Thr Asp His Glu	Asp Val Ala Arg	Ala Val Glu Ala Ala	Gly Gly Glu
50	55	60	
Val Cys Met Thr	Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly	Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65	70	75	80
Glu Val Val Glu	Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp	Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85	90	95	
Val Gln Gly Asp	Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr	Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100	105	110	
Ala Asp Asn Leu	Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Thr	Thr Leu Ala Val	
115	120	125	
Pro Ile His Asn	Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro	Asn Ala Val Lys Val	
130	135	140	
Val Leu Asp Ala	Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser	Arg Ala Thr Ile	
145	150	155	160
Pro Trp Asp Arg	Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu	Thr Val Gly Asp	
165	170	175	
Asn Phe Leu Arg	His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg	Ala Gly Phe Ile	
180	185	190	
Arg Arg Tyr Val	Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu	His Ile Glu Met	
195	200	205	
Leu Glu Gln Leu	Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile	His Val Ala	
210	215	220	
Val Ala Gln Glu	Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr	Pro Glu Asp Leu	
225	230	235	240
Asp Pro Ser Thr	Asn Ser Thr Met Val Gly Asn Trp	Ala Lys Val Leu	
245	250	255	
Val Val Leu Leu	Leu Phe Ala Gly Val Asp Ala Glu Thr	His Val Thr	
260	265	270	
Gly Gly Ser Ala	Gly His Thr Val Ser Gly Phe Val	Ser Leu Leu Ala	
275	280	285	
Pro Gly Ala Lys	Gln Asn Val Gln Leu Ile Asn Thr	Asn Gly Ser Trp	
290	295	300	

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His Leu Asn Ser Thr Ala Leu Asn Cys Asn Asp Ser Leu Asn Thr Gly
 305 310 315 320
 Trp Leu Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr His His Lys Phe Asn Ser Ser Gly Cys
 325 330 335
 Pro Glu Arg Leu Ala Ser Cys Arg Pro Leu Thr Asp Phe Asp Gln Gly
 340 345 350
 Trp Gly Gln Ile Ser Tyr Ala Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro Asp Gln Arg Pro
 355 360 365
 Tyr Cys Trp His Tyr Pro Pro Lys Pro Cys Gly Ile Val Pro Ala Lys
 370 375 380
 Ser Val Cys Gly Pro Val Tyr Cys Phe Thr Pro Ser Pro Val Val Val
 385 390 395 400
 Gly Thr Thr Asp Arg Ser Gly Ala Pro Thr Tyr Ser Trp Gly Glu Asn
 405 410 415
 Asp Thr Asp Val Phe Val Leu Asn Asn Thr Arg Pro Pro Leu Gly Asn
 420 425 430
 Trp Phe Gly Cys Thr Trp Met Asn Ser Thr Gly Phe Thr Lys Val Cys
 435 440 445
 Gly Ala Pro Pro Cys Val Ile Gly Gly Ala Gly Asn Asn Thr Leu
 450 455 460

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 414 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:2:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30
 Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45
 Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

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Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Thr Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240

Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Gly Ala Pro Pro Cys Val Ile Gly Gly
245 250 255

Ala Gly Asn Asn Thr Leu His Cys Pro Thr Asp Cys Phe Arg Lys His
260 265 270

Pro Asp Ala Thr Tyr Ser Arg Cys Gly Ser Gly Pro Trp Ile Thr Pro
275 280 285

Arg Cys Leu Val Asp Tyr Pro Tyr Arg Leu Trp His Thr Pro Cys Thr
290 295 300

Ile Asn Thr Thr Ile Phe Lys Ile Arg Met Tyr Val Gly Gly Val Glu
305 310 315 320

His Arg Leu Glu Ala Ala Cys Asn Trp Thr Arg Gly Glu Arg Cys Asp
325 330 335

Leu Glu Asp Arg Asp Arg Ser Glu Leu Ser Pro Leu Leu Thr Thr
340 345 350

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Thr Gln Trp Gln Val Leu Pro Cys Ser Phe Thr Thr Leu Pro Ala Leu
 355 360 365

Ser Thr Gly Leu Ile His Leu Gly Gln Asn Ile Val Asp Val Gln Tyr
 370 375 380

Leu Tyr Gly Val Gly Ser Ser Ile Ala Ser Trp Ala Ile Lys Trp Glu
 385 390 395 400

Tyr Val Val Leu Leu Phe Leu Leu Leu Ala Asp Ala Arg Val
 405 410

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 378 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(x) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

Met Ser Phe Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu Pro
 1 5 10 15

Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His Val
 20 25 30

Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala Thr
 35 40 45

Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu Val
 50 55 60

Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala Glu
 65 70 75 80

Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn Val
 85 90 95

Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val Ala
 100 105 110

Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Thr Thr Leu Ala Val Pro
 115 120 125

Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val Val
 130 135 140

Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile Pro
 145 150 155 160

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Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp Asn
 165 170 175

Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile Arg
 180 185 190

Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met Leu
 195 200 205

Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala Val
 210 215 220

Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu Asp
 225 230 235 240

Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Thr Met Glu Tyr Val Val Leu Leu Phe Leu Leu
 245 250 255

Leu Ala Asp Ala Arg Val Cys Ser Cys Leu Trp Met Met Leu Leu Ile
 260 265 270

Ser Gln Ala Glu Ala Ala Leu Glu Asn Leu Val Ile Leu Asn Ala Ala
 275 280 285

Ser Leu Ala Gly Thr His Gly Leu Val Ser Phe Leu Val Phe Phe Cys
 290 295 300

Phe Ala Trp Tyr Leu Lys Gly Lys Trp Val Pro Gly Ala Val Tyr Thr
 305 310 315 320

Phe Tyr Gly Met Trp Pro Leu Leu Leu Leu Leu Ala Leu Pro Gln
 325 330 335

Arg Ala Tyr Ala Leu Asp Thr Glu Val Ala Ala Ser Cys Gly Gly Val
 340 345 350

Val Leu Val Gly Leu Met Ala Leu Thr Leu Ser Pro Tyr Tyr Lys Arg
 355 360 365

Tyr Ile Ser Trp Cys Leu Trp Trp Leu Gln
 370 375

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 622 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30
 Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45
 Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60
 Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80
 Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95
 Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110
 Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Thr Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125
 Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140
 Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
 145 150 155 160
 Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175
 Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190
 Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205
 Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220
 Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240
 Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Thr Met Val Gly Asn Trp Ala Lys Val Leu
 245 250 255
 Val Val Leu Leu Leu Phe Ala Gly Val Asp Ala Glu Thr His Val Thr
 260 265 270
 Gly Gly Ser Ala Gly His Thr Val Ser Gly Phe Val Ser Leu Leu Ala
 275 280 285
 Pro Gly Ala Lys Gln Asn Val Gln Leu Ile Asn Thr Asn Gly Ser Trp

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290	295	300
His Leu Asn Ser Thr Ala Leu Asn Cys Asn Asp Ser Leu Asn Thr Gly		
305	310	315 320
Trp Leu Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr His His Lys Phe Asn Ser Ser Gly Cys		
	325	330 335
Pro Glu Arg Leu Ala Ser Cys Arg Pro Leu Thr Asp Phe Asp Gln Gly		
	340	345 350
Trp Gly Gln Ile Ser Tyr Ala Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro Asp Gln Arg Pro		
	355	360 365
Tyr Cys Trp His Tyr Pro Pro Lys Pro Cys Gly Ile Val Pro Ala Lys		
	370	375 380
Ser Val Cys Gly Pro Val Tyr Cys Phe Thr Pro Ser Pro Val Val Val		
	385	390 395 400
Gly Thr Thr Asp Arg Ser Gly Ala Pro Thr Tyr Ser Trp Gly Glu Asn		
	405	410 415
Asp Thr Asp Val Phe Val Leu Asn Asn Thr Arg Pro Pro Leu Gly Asn		
	420	425 430
Trp Phe Gly Cys Thr Trp Met Asn Ser Thr Gly Phe Thr Lys Val Cys		
	435	440 445
Gly Ala Pro Pro Cys Val Ile Gly Pro Pro Cys Val Ile Gly Gly Ala		
	450	455 460
Gly Asn Asn Thr Leu His Cys Pro Thr Asp Cys Phe Arg Lys His Pro		
	465	470 475 480
Asp Ala Thr Tyr Ser Arg Cys Gly Ser Gly Pro Trp Ile Thr Pro Arg		
	485	490 495
Cys Leu Val Asp Tyr Pro Tyr Arg Leu Trp His Tyr Pro Cys Thr Ile		
	500	505 510
Asn Tyr Thr Ile Phe Lys Ile Arg Met Tyr Val Gly Gly Val Glu His		
	515	520 525
Arg Leu Glu Ala Ala Cys Asn Trp Thr Arg Gly Glu Arg Cys Asp Leu		
	530	535 540
Glu Asp Arg Asp Arg Ser Glu Leu Ser Pro Leu Leu Leu Thr Thr Thr		
	545	550 555 560
Gln Trp Gln Val Leu Pro Cys Ser Phe Thr Thr Leu Pro Ala Leu Ser		
	565	570 575
Thr Gly Leu Ile His Leu His Gln Asn Ile Val Asp Val Gln Tyr Leu		
	580	585 590

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Tyr Gly Val Gly Ser Ser Ile Ala Ser Trp Ala Ile Lys Trp Glu Tyr
 595 600 605

Val Val Leu Leu Phe Leu Leu Leu Ala Asp Ala Arg Val Xaa
 610 615 620

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 738 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Thr Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
 145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205
 Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220
 Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240
 Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Thr Met Val Gly Asn Trp Ala Lys Val Leu
 245 250 255
 Val Val Leu Leu Leu Phe Ala Gly Val Asp Ala Glu Thr His Val Thr
 260 265 270
 Gly Gly Ser Ala Gly His Thr Val Ser Gly Phe Val Ser Leu Leu Ala
 275 280 285
 Pro Gly Ala Lys Gln Asn Val Gln Leu Ile Asn Thr Asn Gly Ser Trp
 290 295 300
 His Leu Asn Ser Thr Ala Leu Asn Cys Asn Asp Ser Leu Asn Thr Gly
 305 310 315 320
 Trp Leu Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr His His Lys Phe Asn Ser Ser Gly Cys
 325 330 335
 Pro Glu Arg Leu Ala Ser Cys Arg Pro Leu Thr Asp Phe Asp Gln Gly
 340 345 350
 Trp Gly Gln Ile Ser Tyr Ala Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro Asp Gln Arg Pro
 355 360 365
 Tyr Cys Trp His Tyr Pro Pro Lys Pro Cys Gly Ile Val Pro Ala Lys
 370 375 380
 Ser Val Cys Gly Pro Val Tyr Cys Phe Thr Pro Ser Pro Val Val Val
 385 390 395 400
 Gly Thr Thr Asp Arg Ser Gly Ala Pro Thr Tyr Ser Trp Gly Glu Asn
 405 410 415
 Asp Thr Asp Val Phe Val Leu Asn Asn Thr Arg Pro Pro Leu Gly Asn
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 Trp Phe Gly Cys Thr Trp Met Asn Ser Thr Gly Phe Thr Lys Val Cys
 435 440 445
 Gly Ala Pro Pro Cys Val Ile Gly Pro Pro Cys Val Ile Gly Gly Ala
 450 455 460
 Gly Asn Asn Thr Leu His Cys Pro Thr Asp Cys Phe Arg Lys His Pro
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Asp Ala Thr Tyr Ser Arg Cys Gly Ser Gly Pro Trp Ile Thr Pro Arg
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Cys Leu Val Asp Tyr Pro Tyr Arg Leu Trp His Tyr Pro Cys Thr Ile
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Asn Tyr Thr Ile Phe Lys Ile Arg Met Tyr Val Gly Gly Val Glu His
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Arg Leu Glu Ala Ala Cys Asn Trp Thr Arg Gly Glu Arg Cys Asp Leu
 530 535 540

Glu Asp Arg Asp Arg Ser Glu Leu Ser Pro Leu Leu Leu Thr Thr Thr
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Gln Trp Gln Val Leu Pro Cys Ser Phe Thr Thr Leu Pro Ala Leu Ser
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Thr Gly Leu Ile His Leu His Gln Asn Ile Val Asp Val Gln Tyr Leu
 580 585 590

Tyr Gly Val Gly Ser Ser Ile Ala Ser Trp Ala Ile Lys Trp Glu Tyr
 595 600 605

Val Val Leu Leu Phe Leu Leu Leu Ala Asp Ala Arg Val Cys Ser Cys
 610 615 620

Leu Trp Met Met Leu Leu Ile Ser Gln Ala Glu Ala Ala Leu Glu Asn
 625 630 635 640

Leu Val Ile Leu Asn Ala Ala Ser Leu Ala Gly Thr His Gly Leu Val
 645 650 655

Ser Phe Leu Val Phe Phe Cys Phe Ala Trp Tyr Leu Lys Gly Lys Trp
 660 665 670

Val Pro Gly Ala Val Tyr Thr Phe Tyr Gly Met Trp Pro Leu Leu Leu
 675 680 685

Leu Leu Leu Ala Leu Pro Gln Arg Ala Tyr Ala Leu Asp Thr Glu Val
 690 695 700

Ala Ala Ser Cys Gly Gly Val Val Leu Val Gly Leu Met Ala Leu Thr
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Leu Ser Pro Tyr Tyr Lys Arg Tyr Ile Ser Trp Cys Leu Trp Trp Leu
 725 730 735

Gln Xaa

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 4481 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 130..1317

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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GAGGTTTAA ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG   168
      Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser
        1           5           10

ACG CGT CTG CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG   216
Thr Arg Leu Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met
      15           20           25

ATT GTT CAT GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC   264
Ile Val His Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile
      30           35           40           45

ATC GTG GCA ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT   312
Ile Val Ala Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala
           50           55           60

GGC GGT GAA GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA   360
Gly Gly Glu Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu
           65           70           75

CGT CTG GCG GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG   408
Arg Leu Ala Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val
           80           85           90

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Ile Val Asn Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile
           95          100          105

CGT CAG GTT GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT   504
Arg Gln Val Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr
      110          115          120          125

CTG GCG GTG CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG   552
Leu Ala Val Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala
           130          135          140

GTG AAA GTG GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC   600
Val Lys Val Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg
           145          150          155

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ATC GAA ATG TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC 792
 Ile Glu Met Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile
 210 215 220

CAT GTT GCT GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT 840
 His Val Ala Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro
 225 230 235

GAA GAT CTC GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCC ATG TCT ACC AAC CCG AAA CCG 888
 Glu Asp Leu Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Ser Thr Asn Pro Lys Pro
 240 245 250

CAG AAA AAA AAC AAA CGT AAC ACC AAC CGT CGT CCG CAG GAC GTT AAA 936
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 255 260 265

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 Arg Gly Pro Arg Leu Gly Val Arg Ala Thr Arg Lys Thr Ser Glu Arg
 290 295 300

TCT CAG CCG CGT GGG CGT CGT CAG CCG ATC CCG AAA GCT CGT CGT CCG 1080
 Ser Gln Pro Arg Gly Arg Arg Gln Pro Ile Pro Lys Ala Arg Arg Pro
 305 310 315

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 320 325 330

AAC GAA GGT TGC GGT TGG GCT GGT TGG CTG CTG TCT CCG CGT GGA TCT 1176
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 335 340 345

CGT CCG TCT TGG GGT CCG ACC GAC CCG CGT CGT CGT TCT CGT AAC CTT 1224
 Arg Pro Ser Trp Gly Pro Thr Asp Pro Arg Arg Arg Ser Arg Asn Leu
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GGT AAA GTT ATC GAT ACC CTG ACC TGC GGT TTC GCT GAC CTG ATG GGT 1272
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Tyr Ile Pro Leu Val Gly Ala Pro Leu Gly Gly Ala Ala Arg Ala			
385	390	395	
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TTGTTGCCAT TGCTACAGGC ATCGTGGTGT CACGCTCGTC GTTTGGTATG GCTTCATTCA 3777
GCTCCGGTTC CCAACGATCA AGGCGAGTTA CATGATCCCC CATGTTGTGC AAAAAAGCGG 3837
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TGTTATGGC AGCACTGCAT AATTCTCTTA CTGTCATGCC ATCCGTAAGA TGCTTTTCTG 3957
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CTTGCCCGGC GTCAACACGG GATAATACCG CGCCACATAG CAGAACTTTA AAAGTGCTCA 4077
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4481

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 396 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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35 40 45

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50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

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 Thr Arg Leu Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met
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 50 55 60

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 Arg Leu Ala Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val
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 130 135 140

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 Val Lys Val Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg
 145 150 155

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 Ala Thr Ile Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr
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GTT GGC GAT AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA 696
 Val Gly Asp Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala
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 Gly Phe Ile Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His
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ATC GAA ATG TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC 792
 Ile Glu Met Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile
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 His Val Ala Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro
 225 230 235

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 Glu Asp Leu Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Ala Val Asp Phe Ile Pro
 240 245 250

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 Val Glu Asn Leu Glu Thr Thr Met Arg Ser Pro Val Phe Thr Asp Asn
 255 260 265

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 270 275 280 285

GCT CCG ACT GGT TCT GGT AAA TCT ACT AAA GTT CCA GCT GCT TAC GCT 1032
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GCT CAG GGT TAC AAA GTT CTG GTT CTG AAC CCG TCT GTT GCT GCT ACT 1080
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 305 310 315

CTG GGT TTC GGC GCC TAC ATG TCT AAA GCT CAC GGT ATC GAC CCG AAC 1128
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 335 340 345

TCT ACT TAC GGT AAA TTC CTG GCT GAC GGT GGT TGC TCT GGT GGT GCT 1224
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TAC GAT ATC ATC ATC TGC GAC GAA TGC CAC TCT ACT GAC GCT ACT TCT 1272
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 370 375 380

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 385 390 395

CGT CTG GTT GTT CTG GCT ACT GCT ACT CCG CCG GGT TCT GTT ACT GTT 1368
 Arg Leu Val Val Leu Ala Thr Ala Thr Pro Pro Gly Ser Val Thr Val
 400 405 410

CCG CAC CCG AAC ATC GAA GAA GTT GCT CTG TCG ACT ACT GGT GAA ATC 1416
 Pro His Pro Asn Ile Glu Val Ala Leu Ser Thr Thr Gly Glu Ile
 415 420 425

CCG TTC TAC GGT AAA GCT ATC CCG CTC GAG GTT ATC AAA GGT GGT CGT 1464
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His Leu Ile Phe Cys His Ser Lys Lys Lys Cys Asp Glu Leu Ala Ala				
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AAG CTT GTT GCT CTG GGT ATC AAC GCT GTT GCT TAC TAC CGT GGT CTG				1560
Lys Leu Val Ala Leu Gly Ile Asn Ala Val Ala Tyr Tyr Arg Gly Leu				
	465	470	475	
GAC GTT TCT GTT ATC CCG ACT TCT GGT GAC GTT GTT GTT GTG GCC ACT				1608
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Asp Ala Leu Met Thr Gly Tyr Thr Gly Asp Phe Asp Ser Val Ile Asp				
	495	500	505	
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Cys Asn Thr Cys Asn Ser Ser Thr Gly Cys Val Val Ile Val Gly Arg				
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GTT GTT CTG TCT GGT AAA CCG GCC ATT ATC CCG GAC CGT GAA GTT CTG				1752
Val Val Leu Ser Gly Lys Pro Ala Ile Ile Pro Asp Arg Glu Val Leu				
	530	535	540	
TAC CGT GAG TTC GAC GAA ATG GAA GAA TGC TCT CAG CAC CTG CCG TAC				1800
Tyr Arg Glu Phe Asp Glu Met Glu Glu Cys Ser Gln His Leu Pro Tyr				
	545	550	555	
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Ile Glu Gln Gly Met Met Leu Ala Glu Gln Phe Lys Gln Lys Ala Leu				
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GGT CTG CTG CAG ACC GCT TCT CGT CAG GCT GAA GTT ATC GCT CCG GCT				1896
Gly Leu Leu Gln Thr Ala Ser Arg Gln Ala Glu Val Ile Ala Pro Ala				
	575	580	585	
GTT CAG ACC AAC TGG CAG AAA CTC GAG ACC TTC TGG GCT AAA CAC ATG				1944
Val Gln Thr Asn Trp Gln Lys Leu Glu Thr Phe Trp Ala Lys His Met				
	590	595	600	605
TGG AAC TTC ATC TCT GGT ATC CAG TAC CTG GCT GGT CTG TCT ACC CTG				1992
Trp Asn Phe Ile Ser Gly Ile Gln Tyr Leu Ala Gly Leu Ser Thr Leu				
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CCG GGT AAC CCG GCT ATC GCA AGC TTG ATG GCT TTC ACC GCT GCT GTT				2040
Pro Gly Asn Pro Ala Ile Ala Ser Leu Met Ala Phe Thr Ala Ala Val				
	625	630	635	
ACC TCT CCG CTG ACC ACC TCT CAG ACC CTG CTG TTC AAC ATT CTG GGT				2088
Thr Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ser Gln Thr Leu Leu Phe Asn Ile Leu Gly				
	640	645	650	
GGT TGG GTT GCT GCT CAG CTG GCT GCT CCG GGT GCT GCT ACC GCT TTC				2136

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Gly Trp Val Ala Ala Gln Leu Ala Ala Pro Gly Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe
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670 675 680 685

AAA GTT CTG ATC GAC ATT CTG GCT GGT TAC GGT GCT GGT GTT GCT GGA 2232
Lys Val Leu Ile Asp Ile Leu Ala Gly Tyr Gly Ala Gly Val Ala Gly
690 695 700

GCT CTG GTT GCT TTC AAA ATC ATG TCT GGT GAA GTT CCG TCT ACC GAA 2280
Ala Leu Val Ala Phe Lys Ile Met Ser Gly Glu Val Pro Ser Thr Glu
705 710 715

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735 740 745

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 GTCTTCAA 5600

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 781 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

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Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
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 35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
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Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
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Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn

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115	120	125
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val		
130	135	140
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile		
145	150	155
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp		
165	170	175
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Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met		
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Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala		
210	215	220
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225	230	235
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Ala Val Asp Phe Ile Pro Val Glu Asn		
245	250	255
Leu Glu Thr Thr Met Arg Ser Pro Val Phe Thr Asp Asn Ser Ser Pro		
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Pro Val Val Pro Gln Ser Phe Gln Val Ala His Leu His Ala Pro Thr		
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Tyr Lys Val Leu Val Leu Asn Pro Ser Val Ala Ala Thr Leu Gly Phe		
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Gly Lys Phe Leu Ala Asp Gly Gly Cys Ser Gly Gly Ala Tyr Asp Ile		
355	360	365
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370	375	380

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385 390 395 400

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405 410 415

Asn Ile Glu Glu Val Ala Leu Ser Thr Thr Gly Glu Ile Pro Phe Tyr
420 425 430

Gly Lys Ala Ile Pro Leu Glu Val Ile Lys Gly Gly Arg His Leu Ile
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Phe Cys His Ser Lys Lys Lys Cys Asp Glu Leu Ala Ala Lys Leu Val
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Ala Leu Gly Ile Asn Ala Val Ala Tyr Tyr Arg Gly Leu Asp Val Ser
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Val Ile Pro Thr Ser Gly Asp Val Val Val Val Ala Thr Asp Ala Leu
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Met Thr Gly Tyr Thr Gly Asp Phe Asp Ser Val Ile Asp Cys Asn Thr
500 505 510

Cys Asn Ser Ser Thr Gly Cys Val Val Ile Val Gly Arg Val Val Leu
515 520 525

Ser Gly Lys Pro Ala Ile Ile Pro Asp Arg Glu Val Leu Tyr Arg Glu
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Phe Asp Glu Met Glu Glu Cys Ser Gln His Leu Pro Tyr Ile Glu Gln
545 550 555 560

Gly Met Met Leu Ala Glu Gln Phe Lys Gln Lys Ala Leu Gly Leu Leu
565 570 575

Gln Thr Ala Ser Arg Gln Ala Glu Val Ile Ala Pro Ala Val Gln Thr
580 585 590

Asn Trp Gln Lys Leu Glu Thr Phe Trp Ala Lys His Met Trp Asn Phe
595 600 605

Ile Ser Gly Ile Gln Tyr Leu Ala Gly Leu Ser Thr Leu Pro Gly Asn
610 615 620

Pro Ala Ile Ala Ser Leu Met Ala Phe Thr Ala Ala Val Thr Ser Pro
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645 650 655

Ala Ala Gln Leu Ala Ala Pro Gly Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe Val Gly Ala
660 665 670

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Gly Leu Ala Gly Ala Ala Ile Gly Ser Val Gly Leu Gly Lys Val Leu
675 680 685

Ile Asp Ile Leu Ala Gly Tyr Gly Ala Gly Val Ala Gly Ala Leu Val
690 695 700

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705 710 715 720

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725 730 735

Val Cys Ala Ala Ile Leu Arg Arg His Val Gly Pro Gly Glu Gly Ala
740 745 750

Val Gln Trp Met Asn Arg Leu Ile Ala Phe Ala Ser Arg Gly Asn His
755 760 765

Val Ser Pro Trp Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
770 775 780

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 1548 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 1..1548

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

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Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
35 40 45

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Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
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GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG 240

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CGT GTT GAC GGT ATC ATG CAC ACC CGT TGC CAC TGC GGT GCT GAA ATC Arg Val Asp Gly Ile Met His Thr Arg Cys His Cys Gly Ala Glu Ile 340 345 350	1056
ACC GGT CAC GTT AAA AAC GGT ACC ATG CGT ATC GTT GGT CCG CGT ACC Thr Gly His Val Lys Asn Gly Thr Met Arg Ile Val Gly Pro Arg Thr 355 360 365	1104
TGC CGT AAC ATG TGG TCT GGC ACC TTC CCG ATC AAC GCT TAC ACC ACC Cys Arg Asn Met Trp Ser Gly Thr Phe Pro Ile Asn Ala Tyr Thr Thr 370 375 380	1152
GGT CCG TGC ACC CCG CTG CCG GCT CCG AAC TAC ACC TTC GCT CTG TGG Gly Pro Cys Thr Pro Leu Pro Ala Pro Asn Tyr Thr Phe Ala Leu Trp 385 390 395 400	1200
CGT GTT TCT GCT GAA GAA TAC GTT GAA ATC CGT CAG GTT GGT GAC TTC Arg Val Ser Ala Glu Glu Tyr Val Glu Ile Arg Gln Val Gly Asp Phe 405 410 415	1248
CAC TAC GTT ACC GGT ATG ACC ACC GAC AAC CTG AAA TGC CCG TGC CAG His Tyr Val Thr Gly Met Thr Thr Asp Asn Leu Lys Cys Pro Cys Gln 420 425 430	1296
GTT CCG TCT CCG GAG TTC TTC ACC GAA CTG GAC GGT GTT CGT CTG CAC Val Pro Ser Pro Glu Phe Phe Thr Glu Leu Asp Gly Val Arg Leu His 435 440 445	1344
CGT TTC GCT CCG CCG TGC AAA CCG CTG CTG CGT GAA GAA GTT TCT TTC Arg Phe Ala Pro Pro Cys Lys Pro Leu Leu Arg Glu Glu Val Ser Phe 450 455 460	1392
CGT GTT GGT CTG CAC GAA TAC CCG GTT GGT TCT CAG CTG CCG TGC GAA Arg Val Gly Leu His Glu Tyr Pro Val Gly Ser Gln Leu Pro Cys Glu 465 470 475 480	1440
CCG GAA CCG GAC GTT GCT GTT CTG ACC TCT ATG CTG ACC GAC CCG TCT Pro Glu Pro Asp Val Ala Val Leu Thr Ser Met Leu Thr Asp Pro Ser 485 490 495	1488
CAC ATC ACC GCT GAA GCT GCT GGT CGT CGA CTG GAT CCT CTA GAC TGC His Ile Thr Ala Glu Ala Ala Gly Arg Arg Leu Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys 500 505 510	1536

AGG CAT GCT AAG

1548

Arg His Ala Lys

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 516 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30
 Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45
 Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60
 Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80
 Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95
 Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110
 Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125
 Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140
 Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
 145 150 155 160
 Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175
 Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190
 Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240

Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Pro Trp Thr His Tyr Val Pro Glu Ser Asp
 245 250 255

Ala Ala Ala Arg Val Thr Ala Ile Leu Ser Ser Leu Thr Val Thr Gln
 260 265 270

Leu Leu Arg Arg Leu His Gln Trp Ile Ser Ser Glu Cys Thr Thr Pro
 275 280 285

Cys Ser Gly Ser Trp Leu Arg Asp Ile Trp Asp Trp Ile Cys Glu Val
 290 295 300

Leu Ser Asp Phe Lys Thr Trp Leu Lys Ala Lys Leu Met Pro Gln Leu
 305 310 315 320

Pro Gly Ile Pro Phe Val Ser Cys Gln Arg Gly Tyr Lys Gly Val Trp
 325 330 335

Arg Val Asp Gly Ile Met His Thr Arg Cys His Cys Gly Ala Glu Ile
 340 345 350

Thr Gly His Val Lys Asn Gly Thr Met Arg Ile Val Gly Pro Arg Thr
 355 360 365

Cys Arg Asn Met Trp Ser Gly Thr Phe Pro Ile Asn Ala Tyr Thr Thr
 370 375 380

Gly Pro Cys Thr Pro Leu Pro Ala Pro Asn Tyr Thr Phe Ala Leu Trp
 385 390 395 400

Arg Val Ser Ala Glu Glu Tyr Val Glu Ile Arg Gln Val Gly Asp Phe
 405 410 415

His Tyr Val Thr Gly Met Thr Thr Asp Asn Leu Lys Cys Pro Cys Gln
 420 425 430

Val Pro Ser Pro Glu Phe Phe Thr Glu Leu Asp Gly Val Arg Leu His
 435 440 445

Arg Phe Ala Pro Pro Cys Lys Pro Leu Leu Arg Glu Glu Val Ser Phe
 450 455 460

Arg Val Gly Leu His Glu Tyr Pro Val Gly Ser Gln Leu Pro Cys Glu
 465 470 475 480

Pro Glu Pro Asp Val Ala Val Leu Thr Ser Met Leu Thr Asp Pro Ser
 485 490 495

6 8

His Ile Thr Ala Glu Ala Ala Gly Arg Arg Leu Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys
 500 505 510

Arg His Ala Lys
 515

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1623 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1623

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

ATGAGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GGC GTT GAA GGC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTATGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100 105 110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val	
115 120 125	

CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val	
130 135 140	
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile	
145 150 155 160	
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp	
165 170 175	
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile	
180 185 190	
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG	624
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met	
195 200 205	
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT	672
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala	
210 215 220	
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC	720
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu	
225 230 235 240	
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCT ATG CGT CGA CTG GCT CGT GGT TCT CCG CCG	768
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Arg Arg Leu Ala Arg Gly Ser Pro Pro	
245 250 255	
TCT GTT GCT TCT TCT TCT GCT TCT CAA CTG TCT GCT CCG TCT CTG AAA	816
Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Ser Ala Ser Gln Leu Ser Ala Pro Ser Leu Lys	
260 265 270	
GCT ACC TGC ACC GCT AAC CAC GAC TCT CCG GAC GCT GAA CTG ATC GAA	864
Ala Thr Cys Thr Ala Asn His Asp Ser Pro Asp Ala Glu Leu Ile Glu	
275 280 285	
GCT AAC CTG CTG TGG CGT CAG GAA ATG GGT GGT AAC ATC ACC CGT GTT	912
Ala Asn Leu Leu Trp Arg Gln Glu Met Gly Gly Asn Ile Thr Arg Val	
290 295 300	
GAA TCT GAA AAC AAA GTT GTT ATC CTG GAC TCT TTC GAC CCG CTG GTT	960
Glu Ser Glu Asn Lys Val Val Ile Leu Asp Ser Phe Asp Pro Leu Val	
305 310 315 320	
GCT GAA GAA GAC GAA CGT GAG ATC TCT GTT CCG GCT GAA ATC CTG CGT	1008
Ala Glu Glu Asp Glu Arg Glu Ile Ser Val Pro Ala Glu Ile Leu Arg	
325 330 335	
AAATCTCGTCGTTCCTCAGGCTCTGCCGTGTTGGGCTCGTCCGGAC	1056
Lys Ser Arg Arg Phe Ala Gln Ala Leu Pro Val Trp Ala Arg Pro Asp	
340 345 350	

TAC AAC CCG CCG CTG GTT GAA ACC TGG AAA AAA CCG GAC TAC GAA CCG 1104
 Tyr Asn Pro Pro Leu Val Glu Thr Trp Lys Lys Pro Asp Tyr Glu Pro
 355 360 365

CCG GTT GTT CAC GGT TGC CCG CTG CCG CCG CCG AAA TCT CCG CCG GTT 1152
 Pro Val Val His Gly Cys Pro Leu Pro Pro Pro Lys Ser Pro Pro Val
 370 375 380

CCG CCG CCG CGT AAA AAA CGT ACC GTT GTT CTG ACC GAA TCT ACC CTG 1200
 Pro Pro Pro Arg Lys Lys Arg Thr Val Val Leu Thr Glu Ser Thr Leu
 385 390 395 400

TCT ACC GCT CTG GCT GAA CTG GCT ACC CGT TCT TTC GGT TCT TCT TCT 1248
 Ser Thr Ala Leu Ala Glu Leu Ala Thr Arg Ser Phe Gly Ser Ser Ser
 405 410 415

ACC TCG GGT ATC ACC GGT GAC AAC ACC ACC ACC TCT TCT GAA CCG GCT 1296
 Thr Ser Gly Ile Thr Gly Asp Asn Thr Thr Thr Ser Ser Glu Pro Ala
 420 425 430

CCG TCT GGT TGC CCG CCG GAC TCT GAC GCT GAA TCT TAC TCT TCT ATG 1344
 Pro Ser Gly Cys Pro Pro Asp Ser Asp Ala Glu Ser Tyr Ser Ser Met
 435 440 445

CCG CCG CTG GAA GGT GAA CCG GGT GAC CCG GAT CTG TCT GAC GGT TCT 1392
 Pro Pro Leu Glu Gly Glu Pro Gly Asp Pro Asp Leu Ser Asp Gly Ser
 450 455 460

TGG TCT ACC GTT TCT TCT GAA GCT AAC GCT GAA GAC GTT GTT TGC TGC 1440
 Trp Ser Thr Val Ser Ser Glu Ala Asn Ala Glu Asp Val Val Cys Cys
 465 470 475 480

TCT ATG TCT TAC TCT TGG ACC GGT GCT CTG GTT ACT CCG TGC GCT GCT 1488
 Ser Met Ser Tyr Ser Trp Thr Gly Ala Leu Val Thr Pro Cys Ala Ala
 485 490 495

GAA GAA CAG AAA CTG CCG ATC AAC GCT CTG TCT AAC TCT CTG CTG CGT 1536
 Glu Glu Gln Lys Leu Pro Ile Asn Ala Leu Ser Asn Ser Leu Leu Arg
 500 505 510

CAC CAC AAC CTG GTT TAC TCT ACC ACC TCT CGT TCT GCT TGC CAG CGT 1584
 His His Asn Leu Val Tyr Ser Thr Thr Ser Arg Ser Ala Cys Gln Arg
 515 520 525

CAG AAA AAA GTT ACC TTC GAC CGT CTG CAA GTT CTA GAC 1623
 Gln Lys Lys Val Thr Phe Asp Arg Leu Gln Val Leu Asp
 530 535 540

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 541 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
1 5 10 15
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
20 25 30
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
35 40 45
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
50 55 60
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Arg Arg Leu Ala Arg Gly Ser Pro Pro
245 250 255
Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Ser Ala Ser Gln Leu Ser Ala Pro Ser Leu Lys

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260	265	270
Ala Thr Cys Thr Ala Asn His Asp Ser Pro Asp Ala Glu Leu Ile Glu		
275	280	285
Ala Asn Leu Leu Trp Arg Gln Glu Met Gly Gly Asn Ile Thr Arg Val		
290	295	300
Glu Ser Glu Asn Lys Val Val Ile Leu Asp Ser Phe Asp Pro Leu Val		
305	310	315
Ala Glu Glu Asp Glu Arg Glu Ile Ser Val Pro Ala Glu Ile Leu Arg		
325	330	335
Lys Ser Arg Arg Phe Ala Gln Ala Leu Pro Val Trp Ala Arg Pro Asp		
340	345	350
Tyr Asn Pro Pro Leu Val Glu Thr Trp Lys Lys Pro Asp Tyr Glu Pro		
355	360	365
Pro Val Val His Gly Cys Pro Leu Pro Pro Pro Lys Ser Pro Pro Val		
370	375	380
Pro Pro Pro Arg Lys Lys Arg Thr Val Val Leu Thr Glu Ser Thr Leu		
385	390	395
Ser Thr Ala Leu Ala Glu Leu Ala Thr Arg Ser Phe Gly Ser Ser Ser		
405	410	415
Thr Ser Gly Ile Thr Gly Asp Asn Thr Thr Thr Ser Ser Glu Pro Ala		
420	425	430
Pro Ser Gly Cys Pro Pro Asp Ser Asp Ala Glu Ser Tyr Ser Ser Met		
435	440	445
Pro Pro Leu Glu Gly Glu Pro Gly Asp Pro Asp Leu Ser Asp Gly Ser		
450	455	460
Trp Ser Thr Val Ser Ser Glu Ala Asn Ala Glu Asp Val Val Cys Cys		
465	470	475
Ser Met Ser Tyr Ser Trp Thr Gly Ala Leu Val Thr Pro Cys Ala Ala		
485	490	495
Glu Glu Gln Lys Leu Pro Ile Asn Ala Leu Ser Asn Ser Leu Leu Arg		
500	505	510
His His Asn Leu Val Tyr Ser Thr Thr Ser Arg Ser Ala Cys Gln Arg		
515	520	525
Gln Lys Lys Val Thr Phe Asp Arg Leu Gln Val Leu Asp		
530	535	540

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1488 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1488

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GGC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100 105 110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val	
115 120 125	
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val	
130 135 140	
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile	
145 150 155 160	

CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp	
165 170 175	
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile	
180 185 190	
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG	624
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met	
195 200 205	
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT	672
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala	
210 215 220	
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC	720
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu	
225 230 235 240	
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCT CTA GAC TCC CAC TAC CAG GAC GTT CTG AAA	768
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Leu Asp Ser His Tyr Gln Asp Val Leu Lys	
245 250 255	
GAA GTT AAA GCT GCT GCT TCT AAA GTT AAA GCT AAC CTG CTG TCT GTT	816
Glu Val Lys Ala Ala Ala Ser Lys Val Lys Ala Asn Leu Leu Ser Val	
260 265 270	
GAA GAA GCA TGC TCT CTG ACC CCG CCG CAC TCT GCT AAA TCT AAA TTC	864
Glu Glu Ala Cys Ser Leu Thr Pro Pro His Ser Ala Lys Ser Lys Phe	
275 280 285	
GGT TAC GGT GCT AAA GAC GTT CGT TGC CAC GCT CGT AAA GCT GTT ACC	912
Gly Tyr Gly Ala Lys Asp Val Arg Cys His Ala Arg Lys Ala Val Thr	
290 295 300	
CAC ATC AAC TCT GTT TGG AAA GAT CTG CTG GAA GAC AAC GTT ACC CCG	960
His Ile Asn Ser Val Trp Lys Asp Leu Leu Glu Asp Asn Val Thr Pro	
305 310 315 320	
ATC GAC ACC ACC ATC ATG GCT AAA AAC GAA GTT TTC TGC GTT CAG CCG	1008
Ile Asp Thr Thr Ile Met Ala Lys Asn Glu Val Phe Cys Val Gln Pro	
325 330 335	
GAA AAA GGT GGT CGT AAA CCG GCT CGT CTG ATC GTT TTC CCG GAC CTG	1056
Glu Lys Gly Gly Arg Lys Pro Ala Arg Leu Ile Val Phe Pro Asp Leu	
340 345 350	
GGT GTT CGT GTT TGC GAA AAA ATG GCT CTG TAC GAC GTT GTT ACC AAA	1104
Gly Val Arg Val Cys Glu Lys Met Ala Leu Tyr Asp Val Val Thr Lys	
355 360 365	
CTG CCG CTG GCT GTT ATG GGT TCT TCT TAC GGT TTC CAG TAC TCT CCG	1152
Leu Pro Leu Ala Val Met Gly Ser Ser Tyr Gly Phe Gln Tyr Ser Pro	
370 375 380	

GGT CAG CGT GTT GAG TTC CTG GTT CAG GCT TGG AAA TCT AAA AAA ACC 1200
 Gly Gln Arg Val Glu Phe Leu Val Gln Ala Trp Lys Ser Lys Lys Thr
 385 390 395 400

CCG ATG GGT TTC TCT TAC GAC ACC CGT TGC TTC GAC TCT ACC GTT ACC 1248
 Pro Met Gly Phe Ser Tyr Asp Thr Arg Cys Phe Asp Ser Thr Val Thr
 405 410 415

GAA TCT GAC ATT CGT ACC GAA GAA GCT ATC TAC CAG TGC TGC GAC CTG 1296
 Glu Ser Asp Ile Arg Thr Glu Glu Ala Ile Tyr Gln Cys Cys Asp Leu
 420 425 430

GAC CCG CAG GCT CGT GTT GCT ATC AAA TCT CTG ACC GAA CGT CTG TAC 1344
 Asp Pro Gln Ala Arg Val Ala Ile Lys Ser Leu Thr Glu Arg Leu Tyr
 435 440 445

GTT GGT GGT CCG CTG ACC AAC TCT CGG GGT GAA AAC TGC GGT TAC CGT 1392
 Val Gly Gly Pro Leu Thr Asn Ser Arg Gly Glu Asn Cys Gly Tyr Arg
 450 455 460

CGT TGC CGT GCT TCT GGT GTT CTG ACC ACC TCT TGC GGT AAC ACC CTG 1440
 Arg Cys Arg Ala Ser Gly Val Leu Thr Thr Ser Cys Gly Asn Thr Leu
 465 470 475 480

ACC TGCTAC ATC AAA GCT CGT GCT GCT TGC CGT GCT GCT GGT CTG CAG 1488
 Thr Cys Tyr Ile Lys Ala Arg Ala Ala Cys Arg Ala Ala Gly Leu Gln
 485 490 495

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:15:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 496 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:15:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240

Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Leu Asp Ser His Tyr Gln Asp Val Leu Lys
245 250 255

Glu Val Lys Ala Ala Ala Ser Lys Val Lys Ala Asn Leu Leu Ser Val
260 265 270

Glu Glu Ala Cys Ser Leu Thr Pro Pro His Ser Ala Lys Ser Lys Phe
275 280 285

Gly Tyr Gly Ala Lys Asp Val Arg Cys His Ala Arg Lys Ala Val Thr
290 295 300

His Ile Asn Ser Val Trp Lys Asp Leu Leu Glu Asp Asn Val Thr Pro
305 310 315 320

Ile Asp Thr Thr Ile Met Ala Lys Asn Glu Val Phe Cys Val Gln Pro
325 330 335

Glu Lys Gly Gly Arg Lys Pro Ala Arg Leu Ile Val Phe Pro Asp Leu
340 345 350

Gly Val Arg Val Cys Glu Lys Met Ala Leu Tyr Asp Val Val Thr Lys
355 360 365

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Leu Pro Leu Ala Val Met Gly Ser Ser Tyr Gly Phe Gln Tyr Ser Pro
 370 375 380

Gly Gln Arg Val Glu Phe Leu Val Gln Ala Trp Lys Ser Lys Lys Thr
 385 390 395 400

Pro Met Gly Phe Ser Tyr Asp Thr Arg Cys Phe Asp Ser Thr Val Thr
 405 410 415

Glu Ser Asp Ile Arg Thr Glu Glu Ala Ile Tyr Gln Cys Cys Asp Leu
 420 425 430

Asp Pro Gln Ala Arg Val Ala Ile Lys Ser Leu Thr Glu Arg Leu Tyr
 435 440 445

Val Gly Gly Pro Leu Thr Asn Ser Arg Gly Glu Asn Cys Gly Tyr Arg
 450 455 460

Arg Cys Arg Ala Ser Gly Val Leu Thr Thr Ser Cys Gly Asn Thr Leu
 465 470 475 480

Thr Cys Tyr Ile Lys Ala Arg Ala Ala Cys Arg Ala Ala Gly Leu Gln
 485 490 495

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:16:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1161 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1161

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:16:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	

50	55	60	
GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG			240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala			
65	70	75	80
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT			288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn			
85	90	95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT			336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val			
100	105	110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG			384
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val			
115	120	125	
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG			432
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val			
130	135	140	
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT			480
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile			
145	150	155	160
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT			528
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp			
165	170	175	
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC			576
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile			
180	185	190	
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG			624
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met			
195	200	205	
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT			672
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala			
210	215	220	
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC			720
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu			
225	230	235	240
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TGC ATG CTG CAG GAC TGC ACC ATG CTG GTT TGC			768
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Cys Met Leu Gln Asp Cys Thr Met Leu Val Cys			
245	250	255	
GGT GAC GAC CTG GTT GTT ATC TGC GAA TCT GCT GGT GTT CAG GAA GAC			816
Gly Asp Asp Leu Val Val Ile Cys Glu Ser Ala Gly Val Gln Glu Asp			
260	265	270	
GCT GCT TCT CTG CGT GCT TTC ACC GAA GCT ATG ACC CGT TAC TCT GCT			864

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Ala Ala Ser Leu Arg Ala Phe Thr Glu Ala Met Thr Arg Tyr Ser Ala
 275 280 285

CCC CCG GGT GAC CCG CCG CAG CCG GAA TAC GAC CTG GAA CTG ATC ACC 912
 Pro Pro Gly Asp Pro Pro Gln Pro Glu Tyr Asp Leu Glu Leu Ile Thr
 290 295 300

TCT TGC TCT TCT AAC GTT TCT GTT GCT CAC GAC GGT GCT GGT AAA CGT 960
 Ser Cys Ser Ser Asn Val Ser Val Ala His Asp Gly Ala Gly Lys Arg
 305 310 315 320

GTT TAC TAC CTG ACC CGT GAC CCG ACC ACC CCG CTG GCT CGT GCT GCT 1008
 Val Tyr Tyr Leu Thr Arg Asp Pro Thr Thr Pro Leu Ala Arg Ala Ala
 325 330 335

TGG GAA ACC GCT CGT CAC ACC CCG GTA AAC TCT TGG CTG GGT AAC ATC 1056
 Trp Glu Thr Ala Arg His Thr Pro Val Asn Ser Trp Leu Gly Asn Ile
 340 345 350

ATC ATG TTC GCT CCG ACC CTG TGG GCC CGT ATG ATC CTG ATG ACC CAC 1104
 Ile Met Phe Ala Pro Thr Leu Trp Ala Arg Met Ile Leu Met Thr His
 355 360 365

TTC TTC TCT GTT CTG ATC GCT CGT GAC CAG CTG GAA CAG GCT CTG GAC 1152
 Phe Phe Ser Val Leu Ile Ala Arg Asp Gln Leu Glu Gln Ala Leu Asp
 370 375 380

TGC GAG ATC 1161
 Cys Glu Ile
 385

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:17:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 387 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:17:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

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Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80
 Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95
 Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110
 Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125
 Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140
 Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
 145 150 155 160
 Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175
 Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190
 Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205
 Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220
 Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240
 Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Cys Met Leu Gln Asp Cys Thr Met Leu Val Cys
 245 250 255
 Gly Asp Asp Leu Val Val Ile Cys Glu Ser Ala Gly Val Gln Glu Asp
 260 265 270
 Ala Ala Ser Leu Arg Ala Phe Thr Glu Ala Met Thr Arg Tyr Ser Ala
 275 280 285
 Pro Pro Gly Asp Pro Pro Gln Pro Glu Tyr Asp Leu Glu Leu Ile Thr
 290 295 300
 Ser Cys Ser Ser Asn Val Ser Val Ala His Asp Gly Ala Gly Lys Arg
 305 310 315 320
 Val Tyr Tyr Leu Thr Arg Asp Pro Thr Thr Pro Leu Ala Arg Ala Ala
 325 330 335
 Trp Glu Thr Ala Arg His Thr Pro Val Asn Ser Trp Leu Gly Asn Ile
 340 345 350
 Ile Met Phe Ala Pro Thr Leu Trp Ala Arg Met Ile Leu Met Thr His

355 360 365
 Phe Phe Ser Val Leu Ile Ala Arg Asp Gln Leu Glu Gln Ala Leu Asp
 370 375 380
 Cys Glu Ile
 385

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:18:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1179 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1179

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:18:

ATGAGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTATGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100 105 110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val	

115	120	125	
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432		
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val			
130	135	140	
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480		
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile			
145	150	155	160
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528		
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp			
165	170	175	
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576		
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile			
180	185	190	
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG	624		
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met			
195	200	205	
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT	672		
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala			
210	215	220	
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC	720		
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu			
225	230	235	240
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCC ATG GAG ATC TAC GGT GCT TGC TAC TCT ATC	768		
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Glu Ile Tyr Gly Ala Cys Tyr Ser Ile			
245	250	255	
GAA CCG CTG GAC CTG CCG CCG ATC ATT CAG CGT CTG CAC GGT CTG TCT	816		
Glu Pro Leu Asp Leu Pro Pro Ile Ile Gln Arg Leu His Gly Leu Ser			
260	265	270	
GCT TTC TCT CTG CAC TCT TAC TCC CCG GGT GAA ATC AAC CGT GTT GCT	864		
Ala Phe Ser Leu His Ser Tyr Ser Pro Gly Glu Ile Asn Arg Val Ala			
275	280	285	
GCT TGC CTG CGT AAA CTG GGT GTT CCG CCG CTG CGT GCT TGG CGT CAC	912		
Ala Cys Leu Arg Lys Leu Gly Val Pro Pro Leu Arg Ala Trp Arg His			
290	295	300	
CGT GCT CGT TCT GTT CGT GCT CGT CTG CTG GCT CGT GGT GGC CGT GCT	960		
Arg Ala Arg Ser Val Arg Ala Arg Leu Leu Ala Arg Gly Gly Arg Ala			
305	310	315	320
GCT ATC TGC GGT AAA TAC CTG TTC AAC TGG GCT GTT CGT ACC AAA CTG	1008		
Ala Ile Cys Gly Lys Tyr Leu Phe Asn Trp Ala Val Arg Thr Lys Leu			
325	330	335	
AAA CTG ACC CCG ATC GCT GCT GCT GGT CAG CTG GAC CTG TCT GGT TGG	1056		

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Lys Leu Thr Pro Ile Ala Ala Ala Gly Gln Leu Asp Leu Ser Gly Trp
 340 345 350

TTC ACC GCT GGT TAC TCT GGT GGT GAC ATC TAC CAC TCT GTT TCT CAC 1104
 Phe Thr Ala Gly Tyr Ser Gly Gly Asp Ile Tyr His Ser Val Ser His
 355 360 365

GCT CGT CCG CGT TGG ATC TGG TTC TGC CTG CTG CTG CTG GCT GCT GGT 1152
 Ala Arg Pro Arg Trp Ile Trp Phe Cys Leu Leu Leu Ala Ala Gly
 370 375 380

GTT GGT ATC TAC CTG CTG CCG AAC CGT 1179
 Val Gly Ile Tyr Leu Leu Pro Asn Arg
 385 390

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:19:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 393 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile

8 4

145 150 155 160
 Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175
 Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190
 Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205
 Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220
 Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240
 Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Glu Ile Tyr Gly Ala Cys Tyr Ser Ile
 245 250 255
 Glu Pro Leu Asp Leu Pro Pro Ile Ile Gln Arg Leu His Gly Leu Ser
 260 265 270
 Ala Phe Ser Leu His Ser Tyr Ser Pro Gly Glu Ile Asn Arg Val Ala
 275 280 285
 Ala Cys Leu Arg Lys Leu Gly Val Pro Pro Leu Arg Ala Trp Arg His
 290 295 300
 Arg Ala Arg Ser Val Arg Ala Arg Leu Leu Ala Arg Gly Gly Arg Ala
 305 310 315 320
 Ala Ile Cys Gly Lys Tyr Leu Phe Asn Trp Ala Val Arg Thr Lys Leu
 325 330 335
 Lys Leu Thr Pro Ile Ala Ala Ala Gly Gln Leu Asp Leu Ser Gly Trp
 340 345 350
 Phe Thr Ala Gly Tyr Ser Gly Gly Asp Ile Tyr His Ser Val Ser His
 355 360 365
 Ala Arg Pro Arg Trp Ile Trp Phe Cys Leu Leu Leu Leu Ala Ala Gly
 370 375 380
 Val Gly Ile Tyr Leu Leu Pro Asn Arg
 385 390

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:20:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 1791 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 1..1791

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:20:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100 105 110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val	
115 120 125	
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val	
130 135 140	
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile	
145 150 155 160	
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp	
165 170 175	
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile	

180	185	190	
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG	624		
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met			
195	200	205	
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT	672		
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala			
210	215	220	
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC	720		
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu			
225	230	235	240
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCC ATG GAC GCT CAC TTC CTG TCT CAG GCG CCG	768		
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Asp Ala His Phe Leu Ser Gln Ala Pro			
245	250	255	
CCG CCG TCT TGG GAT CAG ATG TGG AAA TGC CTG ATC CGT CTG AAA CCG	816		
Pro Pro Ser Trp Asp Gln Met Trp Lys Cys Leu Ile Arg Leu Lys Pro			
260	265	270	
ACC CTG CAC GGC CCG ACC CCG CTG CTG TAC CGT CTG GGT GCT GTT CAG	864		
Thr Leu His Gly Pro Thr Pro Leu Leu Tyr Arg Leu Gly Ala Val Gln			
275	280	285	
AAC GAA ATC ACC CTG ACC CAC CCG GTT ACC AAA TAC ATC ATG ACC TGC	912		
Asn Glu Ile Thr Leu Thr His Pro Val Thr Lys Tyr Ile Met Thr Cys			
290	295	300	
ATG TCT GCT GAT CTA GAA GTT GTT ACC TCT ACC TGG GTT CTG GTT GGT	960		
Met Ser Ala Asp Leu Glu Val Val Thr Ser Thr Trp Val Leu Val Gly			
305	310	315	320
GGT GTT CTG GCT GCT CTG GCT GCT TAC TGC CTG TCG ACC GGT TGC GTT	1008		
Gly Val Leu Ala Ala Leu Ala Ala Tyr Cys Leu Ser Thr Gly Cys Val			
325	330	335	
GTT ATC GTT GGT CGT GTT GTT CTG TCT GGT AAA CCG GCC ATT ATC CCG	1056		
Val Ile Val Gly Arg Val Val Leu Ser Gly Lys Pro Ala Ile Ile Pro			
340	345	350	
GAC CGT GAA GTT CTG TAC CGT GAG TTC GAC GAA ATG GAA GAA TGC TCT	1104		
Asp Arg Glu Val Leu Tyr Arg Glu Phe Asp Glu Met Glu Glu Cys Ser			
355	360	365	
CAG CAC CTG CCG TAC ATC GAA CAG GGT ATG ATG CTG GCT GAA CAG TTC	1152		
Gln His Leu Pro Tyr Ile Glu Gln Gly Met Met Leu Ala Glu Gln Phe			
370	375	380	
AAA CAG AAA GCT CTG GGT CTG CTG CAG ACC GCT TCT CGT CAG GCT GAA	1200		
Lys Gln Lys Ala Leu Gly Leu Leu Gln Thr Ala Ser Arg Gln Ala Glu			
385	390	395	400
GTT ATC GCT CCG GCT GTT CAG ACC AAC TGG CAG AAA CTC GAG ACC TTC	1248		

Val Ile Ala Pro Ala Val Gln Thr Asn Trp Gln Lys Leu Glu Thr Phe
 405 410 415

TGG GCT AAACAC ATG TGG AAC TTC ATC TCT GGT ATC CAG TAC CTG GCT 1296
 Trp Ala Lys His Met Trp Asn Phe Ile Ser Gly Ile Gln Tyr Leu Ala
 420 425 430

GGT CTG TCT ACC CTG CCG GGT AAC CCG GCT ATC GCA AGC TTG ATG GCT 1344
 Gly Leu Ser Thr Leu Pro Gly Asn Pro Ala Ile Ala Ser Leu Met Ala
 435 440 445

TTC ACC GCT GCT GTT ACC TCT CCG CTG ACC ACC TCT CAG ACC CTG CTG 1392
 Phe Thr Ala Ala Val Thr Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ser Gln Thr Leu Leu
 450 455 460

TTC AAC ATT CTG GGT GGT TGG GTT GCT GCT CAG CTG GCT GCT CCG GGT 1440
 Phe Asn Ile Leu Gly Gly Trp Val Ala Ala Gln Leu Ala Ala Pro Gly
 465 470 475 480

GCT GCT ACC GCT TTC GTT GGT GCT GGT CTG GCT GGT GCT GCT ATC GGT 1488
 Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe Val Gly Ala Gly Leu Ala Gly Ala Ala Ile Gly
 485 490 495

TCT GTA GGC CTG GGT AAA GTT CTG ATC GAC ATT CTG GCT GGT TAC GGT 1536
 Ser Val Gly Leu Gly Lys Val Leu Ile Asp Ile Leu Ala Gly Tyr Gly
 500 505 510

GCT GGT GTT GCT GGA GCT CTG GTT GCT TTC AAA ATC ATG TCT GGT GAA 1584
 Ala Gly Val Ala Gly Ala Leu Val Ala Phe Lys Ile Met Ser Gly Glu
 515 520 525

GTT CCG TCT ACC GAA GAT CTG GTT AAC CTG CTG CCG GCT ATC CTG TCT 1632
 Val Pro Ser Thr Glu Asp Leu Val Asn Leu Leu Pro Ala Ile Leu Ser
 530 535 540

CCG GGT GCT CTG GTT GTT GGT GTT GTT TGC GCT GCT ATC CTG CGT CGT 1680
 Pro Gly Ala Leu Val Val Gly Val Val Cys Ala Ala Ile Leu Arg Arg
 545 550 555 560

CAC GTT GGC CCG GGT GAA GGT GCT GTT CAG TGG ATG AAC CGT CTG ATC 1728
 His Val Gly Pro Gly Glu Gly Ala Val Gln Trp Met Asn Arg Leu Ile
 565 570 575

GCT TTC GCT TCT CGT GGT AAC CAC GTT TCT CCA TGG GAT CCT CTA GAC 1776
 Ala Phe Ala Ser Arg Gly Asn His Val Ser Pro Trp Asp Pro Leu Asp
 580 585 590

TGC AGG CAT GCT AAG 1791
 Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 595

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:21:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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(A) LENGTH: 597 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:21:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240

Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Asp Ala His Phe Leu Ser Gln Ala Pro
245 250 255

Pro Pro Ser Trp Asp Gln Met Trp Lys Cys Leu Ile Arg Leu Lys Pro
260 265 270

Thr Leu His Gly Pro Thr Pro Leu Leu Tyr Arg Leu Gly Ala Val Gln
275 280 285

Asn Glu Ile Thr Leu Thr His Pro Val Thr Lys Tyr Ile Met Thr Cys
290 295 300

Met Ser Ala Asp Leu Glu Val Val Thr Ser Thr Trp Val Leu Val Gly
305 310 315 320

Gly Val Leu Ala Ala Leu Ala Ala Tyr Cys Leu Ser Thr Gly Cys Val
325 330 335

Val Ile Val Gly Arg Val Val Leu Ser Gly Lys Pro Ala Ile Ile Pro
340 345 350

Asp Arg Glu Val Leu Tyr Arg Glu Phe Asp Glu Met Glu Glu Cys Ser
355 360 365

Gln His Leu Pro Tyr Ile Glu Gln Gly Met Met Leu Ala Glu Gln Phe
370 375 380

Lys Gln Lys Ala Leu Gly Leu Leu Gln Thr Ala Ser Arg Gln Ala Glu
385 390 395 400

Val Ile Ala Pro Ala Val Gln Thr Asn Trp Gln Lys Leu Glu Thr Phe
405 410 415

Trp Ala Lys His Met Trp Asn Phe Ile Ser Gly Ile Gln Tyr Leu Ala
420 425 430

Gly Leu Ser Thr Leu Pro Gly Asn Pro Ala Ile Ala Ser Leu Met Ala
435 440 445

Phe Thr Ala Ala Val Thr Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ser Gln Thr Leu Leu
450 455 460

Phe Asn Ile Leu Gly Gly Trp Val Ala Ala Gln Leu Ala Ala Pro Gly
465 470 475 480

Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe Val Gly Ala Gly Leu Ala Gly Ala Ala Ile Gly
485 490 495

Ser Val Gly Leu Gly Lys Val Leu Ile Asp Ile Leu Ala Gly Tyr Gly
500 505 510

Ala Gly Val Ala Gly Ala Leu Val Ala Phe Lys Ile Met Ser Gly Glu
515 520 525

Val Pro Ser Thr Glu Asp Leu Val Asn Leu Leu Pro Ala Ile Leu Ser
530 535 540

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Pro Gly Ala Leu Val Val Gly Val Val Cys Ala Ala Ile Leu Arg Arg
545 550 555 560

His Val Gly Pro Gly Glu Gly Ala Val Gln Trp Met Asn Arg Leu Ile
 565 570 575

Ala Phe Ala Ser Arg Gly Asn His Val Ser Pro Trp Asp Pro Leu Asp
 580 585 590

Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 595

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:22:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 1797 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 1..1797

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:22:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	

100	105	110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384		
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val			
115 120 125			
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432		
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val			
130 135 140			
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480		
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile			
145 150 155 160			
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528		
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp			
165 170 175			
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576		
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile			
180 185 190			
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG	624		
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met			
195 200 205			
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT	672		
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala			
210 215 220			
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC	720		
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu			
225 230 235 240			
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCC ATG GAC GCT CAC TTC CTG TCT CAG ACC AAA	768		
Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Asp Ala His Phe Leu Ser Gln Thr Lys			
245 250 255			
CAG TCT GGT GAA AAC CTT CCG TAC CTG GTT GCT TAC CAG GCT ACC GTT	816		
Gln Ser Gly Glu Asn Leu Pro Tyr Leu Val Ala Tyr Gln Ala Thr Val			
260 265 270			
TGC GCT CGT GCT CAG GCC CCG ACC CCG CTG CTG TAC CGT CTG GGT GCT	864		
Cys Ala Arg Ala Gln Ala Pro Thr Pro Leu Leu Tyr Arg Leu Gly Ala			
275 280 285			
GTT CAG AAC GAA ATC ACC CTG ACC CAC CCG GTT ACC AAA TAC ATC ATG	912		
Val Gln Asn Glu Ile Thr Leu Thr His Pro Val Thr Lys Tyr Ile Met			
290 295 300			
ACC TGC ATG TCT GCT GAT CTA GAA GTT GTT ACC TCT ACC TGG GTT CTG	960		
Thr Cys Met Ser Ala Asp Leu Glu Val Val Thr Ser Thr Trp Val Leu			
305 310 315 320			
GTT GGT GGT GTT CTG GCT GCT CTG GCT GCT TAC TGC CTG TCG ACC GGT	1008		

Val Gly Gly Val Leu Ala Ala Leu Ala Ala Tyr Cys Leu Ser Thr Gly
 325 330 335

TGC GTT GTT ATC GTT GGT CGT GTT GTT CTG TCT GGT AAA CCG GCC ATT 1056
 Cys Val Val Ile Val Gly Arg Val Val Leu Ser Gly Lys Pro Ala Ile
 340 345 350

ATC CCG GAC CGT GAA GTT CTG TAC CGT GAG TTC GAC GAA ATG GAA GAA 1104
 Ile Pro Asp Arg Glu Val Leu Tyr Arg Glu Phe Asp Glu Met Glu Glu
 355 360 365

TGC TCT CAG CAC CTG CCG TAC ATC GAA CAG GGT ATG ATG CTG GCT GAA 1152
 Cys Ser Gln His Leu Pro Tyr Ile Glu Gln Gly Met Met Leu Ala Glu
 370 375 380

CAG TTC AAA CAG AAA GCT CTG GGT CTG CTG CAG ACC GCT TCT CGT CAG 1200
 Gln Phe Lys Gln Lys Ala Leu Gly Leu Leu Gln Thr Ala Ser Arg Gln
 385 390 395 400

GCT GAA GTT ATC GCT CCG GCT GTT CAG ACC AAC TGG CAG AAA CTC GAG 1248
 Ala Glu Val Ile Ala Pro Ala Val Gln Thr Asn Trp Gln Lys Leu Glu
 405 410 415

ACC TTC TGG GCT AAA CAC ATG TGG AAC TTC ATC TCT GGT ATC CAG TAC 1296
 Thr Phe Trp Ala Lys His Met Trp Asn Phe Ile Ser Gly Ile Gln Tyr
 420 425 430

CTG GCT GGT CTG TCT ACC CTG CCG GGT AAC CCG GCT ATC GCA AGC TTG 1344
 Leu Ala Gly Leu Ser Thr Leu Pro Gly Asn Pro Ala Ile Ala Ser Leu
 435 440 445

ATG GCT TTC ACC GCT GCT GTT ACC TCT CCG CTG ACC ACC TCT CAG ACC 1392
 Met Ala Phe Thr Ala Ala Val Thr Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ser Gln Thr
 450 455 460

CTG CTG TTC AAC ATT CTG GGT GGT TGG GTT GCT GCT CAG CTG GCT GCT 1440
 Leu Leu Phe Asn Ile Leu Gly Gly Trp Val Ala Ala Gln Leu Ala Ala
 465 470 475 480

CCG GGT GCT GCT ACC GCT TTC GTT GGT GCT GGT CTG GCT GGT GCT GCT 1488
 Pro Gly Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe Val Gly Ala Gly Leu Ala Gly Ala Ala
 485 490 495

ATC GGT TCT GTA GGC CTG GGT AAA GTT CTG ATC GAC ATT CTG GCT GGT 1536
 Ile Gly Ser Val Gly Leu Gly Lys Val Leu Ile Asp Ile Leu Ala Gly
 500 505 510

TAC GGT GCT GGT GTT GCT GGA GCT CTG GTT GCT TTC AAA ATC ATG TCT 1584
 Tyr Gly Ala Gly Val Ala Gly Ala Leu Val Ala Phe Lys Ile Met Ser
 515 520 525

GGT GAA GTT CCG TCT ACC GAA GAT CTG GTT AAC CTG CTG CCG GCT ATC 1632
 Gly Glu Val Pro Ser Thr Glu Asp Leu Val Asn Leu Leu Pro Ala Ile
 530 535 540

93

CTG TCT CCG GGT GCT CTG GTT GTT GGT GTT GTT TGC GCT GCT ATC CTG 1680
 Leu Ser Pro Gly Ala Leu Val Val Gly Val Val Cys Ala Ala Ile Leu
 545 550 555 560

CGT CGT CAC GTT GGC CCG GGT GAA GGT GCT GTT CAG TGG ATG AAC CGT 1728
 Arg Arg His Val Gly Pro Gly Glu Gly Ala Val Gln Trp Met Asn Arg
 565 570 575

CTG ATC GCT TTC GCT TCT CGT GGT AAC CAC GTT TCT CCA TGG GAT CCT 1776
 Leu Ile Ala Phe Ala Ser Arg Gly Asn His Val Ser Pro Trp Asp Pro
 580 585 590

CTA GAC TGC AGG CAT GCT AAG 1797
 Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 595

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:23:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 599 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:23:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140

94

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240

Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Met Asp Ala His Phe Leu Ser Gln Thr Lys
245 250 255

Gln Ser Gly Glu Asn Leu Pro Tyr Leu Val Ala Tyr Gln Ala Thr Val
260 265 270

Cys Ala Arg Ala Gln Ala Pro Thr Pro Leu Leu Tyr Arg Leu Gly Ala
275 280 285

Val Gln Asn Glu Ile Thr Leu Thr His Pro Val Thr Lys Tyr Ile Met
290 295 300

Thr Cys Met Ser Ala Asp Leu Glu Val Val Thr Ser Thr Trp Val Leu
305 310 315 320

Val Gly Gly Val Leu Ala Ala Leu Ala Ala Tyr Cys Leu Ser Thr Gly
325 330 335

Cys Val Val Ile Val Gly Arg Val Val Leu Ser Gly Lys Pro Ala Ile
340 345 350

Ile Pro Asp Arg Glu Val Leu Tyr Arg Glu Phe Asp Glu Met Glu Glu
355 360 365

Cys Ser Gln His Leu Pro Tyr Ile Glu Gln Gly Met Met Leu Ala Glu
370 375 380

Gln Phe Lys Gln Lys Ala Leu Gly Leu Leu Gln Thr Ala Ser Arg Gln
385 390 395 400

Ala Glu Val Ile Ala Pro Ala Val Gln Thr Asn Trp Gln Lys Leu Glu
405 410 415

Thr Phe Trp Ala Lys His Met Trp Asn Phe Ile Ser Gly Ile Gln Tyr
420 425 430

Leu Ala Gly Leu Ser Thr Leu Pro Gly Asn Pro Ala Ile Ala Ser Leu

95

435 440 445
 Met Ala Phe Thr Ala Ala Val Thr Ser Pro Leu Thr Thr Ser Gln Thr
 450 455 460
 Leu Leu Phe Asn Ile Leu Gly Gly Trp Val Ala Ala Gln Leu Ala Ala
 465 470 475 480
 Pro Gly Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe Val Gly Ala Gly Leu Ala Gly Ala Ala
 485 490 495
 Ile Gly Ser Val Gly Leu Gly Lys Val Leu Ile Asp Ile Leu Ala Gly
 500 505 510
 Tyr Gly Ala Gly Val Ala Gly Ala Leu Val Ala Phe Lys Ile Met Ser
 515 520 525
 Gly Glu Val Pro Ser Thr Glu Asp Leu Val Asn Leu Leu Pro Ala Ile
 530 535 540
 Leu Ser Pro Gly Ala Leu Val Val Gly Val Val Cys Ala Ala Ile Leu
 545 550 555 560
 Arg Arg His Val Gly Pro Gly Glu Gly Ala Val Gln Trp Met Asn Arg
 565 570 575
 Leu Ile Ala Phe Ala Ser Arg Gly Asn His Val Ser Pro Trp Asp Pro
 580 585 590
 Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 595

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:24:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1251 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1251

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:24:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG 48
 Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT 96
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His

20	25	30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144		
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala			
35 40 45			
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GGC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192		
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu			
50 55 60			
GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240		
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala			
65 70 75 80			
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288		
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn			
85 90 95			
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336		
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val			
100 105 110			
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384		
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val			
115 120 125			
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432		
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val			
130 135 140			
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480		
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile			
145 150 155 160			
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528		
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp			
165 170 175			
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576		
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile			
180 185 190			
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG	624		
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met			
195 200 205			
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT	672		
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala			
210 215 220			
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC	720		
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu			
225 230 235 240			
GAC CCG TCG ACT CGA ATT CGA GCT CGG TAC CCT GAG ACA ATC ACG CTT	768		

Asp Pro Ser Thr Arg Ile Arg Ala Arg Tyr Pro Glu Thr Ile Thr Leu
 245 250 255
 CCC CAG GAT GCT GTC TCC CGC ACC CAG CGT CGG GGC AGG ACT GGC AGG 816
 Pro Gln Asp Ala Val Ser Arg Thr Gln Arg Arg Gly Arg Thr Gly Arg
 260 265 270
 GGG AAG CCA GGC ATC TAC AGA TTT GTG GCA CCG GGG GAG CGC CCT TCC 864
 Gly Lys Pro Gly Ile Tyr Arg Phe Val Ala Pro Gly Glu Arg Pro Ser
 275 280 285
 GGC ATG TTC GAC TCG TCC GTC CTC TGC GAG TGC TAT GAC GCG GGC TGG 912
 Gly Met Phe Asp Ser Ser Val Leu Cys Glu Cys Tyr Asp Ala Gly Trp
 290 295 300
 CCT TGG TAT GAG CTC ACA CCC GCC GAG ACC ACA GTT AGG CTA CGA GCG 960
 Pro Trp Tyr Glu Leu Thr Pro Ala Glu Thr Thr Val Arg Leu Arg Ala
 305 310 315 320
 TAC ATG AAC ACC CCG GGA CTC CCC GTG TGC CAA GAC CAT CTT GAA TTT 1008
 Tyr Met Asn Thr Pro Gly Leu Pro Val Cys Gln Asp His Leu Glu Phe
 325 330 335
 TGG GAG GGC GTC TTC ACG GGT CTC ACC CAT ATA GAC GCC CAC TTT CTA 1056
 Trp Glu Gly Val Phe Thr Gly Leu Thr His Ile Asp Ala His Phe Leu
 340 345 350
 TCC CAG ACA AAG CAG AGT GGG GAA AAC CTT CCT TAC CTG GTA GCG TAC 1104
 Ser Gln Thr Lys Gln Ser Gly Glu Asn Leu Pro Tyr Leu Val Ala Tyr
 355 360 365
 CAA GCC ACC GTG TGC GCT AGA GCT CAA GCC CCT CCC CCA TCG TGG GAC 1152
 Gln Ala Thr Val Cys Ala Arg Ala Gln Ala Pro Pro Pro Ser Trp Asp
 370 375 380
 CAG ATG TGG AAG TGC TTG ATC CGC CTC AAG CCT ACC CTT CAT GGG CCG 1200
 Gln Met Trp Lys Cys Leu Ile Arg Leu Lys Pro Thr Leu His Gly Pro
 385 390 395 400
 ACC CCC CTG CTA TAC AGA CTG GGC GGG GGA TCC TCT AGA CTG CAG GCA 1248
 Thr Pro Leu Leu Tyr Arg Leu Gly Gly Gly Ser Ser Arg Leu Gln Ala
 405 410 415
 TGC 1251
 Cys

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:25:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 417 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:24:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
1 5 10 15
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
20 25 30
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
35 40 45
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
50 55 60
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240
Asp Pro Ser Thr Arg Ile Arg Ala Arg Tyr Pro Glu Thr Ile Thr Leu
245 250 255
Pro Gln Asp Ala Val Ser Arg Thr Gln Arg Arg Gly Arg Thr Gly Arg
260 265 270

Gly Lys Pro Gly Ile Tyr Arg Phe Val Ala Pro Gly Glu Arg Pro Ser
 275 280 285

Gly Met Phe Asp Ser Ser Val Leu Cys Glu Cys Tyr Asp Ala Gly Trp
 290 295 300

Pro Trp Tyr Glu Leu Thr Pro Ala Glu Thr Thr Val Arg Leu Arg Ala
 305 310 315 320

Tyr Met Asn Thr Pro Gly Leu Pro Val Cys Gln Asp His Leu Glu Phe
 325 330 335

Trp Glu Gly Val Phe Thr Gly Leu Thr His Ile Asp Ala His Phe Leu
 340 345 350

Ser Gln Thr Lys Gln Ser Gly Glu Asn Leu Pro Tyr Leu Val Ala Tyr
 355 360 365

Gln Ala Thr Val Cys Ala Arg Ala Gln Ala Pro Pro Pro Ser Trp Asp
 370 375 380

Gln Met Trp Lys Cys Leu Ile Arg Leu Lys Pro Thr Leu His Gly Pro
 385 390 395 400

Thr Pro Leu Leu Tyr Arg Leu Gly Gly Ser Arg Leu Gln Ala
 405 410 415

Cys

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:26:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1275 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1275

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:26:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG 48
 Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT 96
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA 144

100

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GGC GCT GGC GGT GAA 192
 Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG 240
 Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80

GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT 288
 Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95

GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT 336
 Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110

GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG 384
 Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125

CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG 432
 Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140

GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT 480
 Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
 145 150 155 160

CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT 528
 Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175

AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC 576
 Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190

CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG 624
 Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205

TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT 672
 Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220

GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC 720
 Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240

GAC CCG TCG ACT CGA ATT CGT AGG TCG CGC AAT TTG GGT AAG GTC ATC 768
 Asp Pro Ser Thr Arg Ile Arg Arg Ser Arg Asn Leu Gly Lys Val Ile
 245 250 255

101

GAC ACC CTC ACG TGC GGC TTC GCC GAC CTC ATG GGG TAT ATT CCG CTC 816
 Asp Thr Leu Thr Cys Gly Phe Ala Asp Leu Met Gly Tyr Ile Pro Leu
 260 265 270

GTC GGC GCC CCT CTT GGA GGC GCT GCC AGG GCC CTG GGC CAT GGC GTC 864
 Val Gly Ala Pro Leu Gly Gly Ala Ala Arg Ala Leu Gly His Gly Val
 275 280 285

CGG GTT CTG GAA GAC GGC GTG AAC TAT GCG ACA GGG AAT CTT CCT GGT 912
 Arg Val Leu Glu Asp Gly Val Asn Tyr Ala Thr Gly Asn Leu Pro Gly
 290 295 300

TGC TCT TTC TCT ATC TTC CTT CTG GCC CTG CTC TCT TGC CTG ACC GTG 960
 Cys Ser Phe Ser Ile Phe Leu Leu Ala Leu Leu Ser Cys Leu Thr Val
 305 310 315 320

CCC GCA TCA GCC TAC CAA GTA CGC AAC TCC TCG GGC CTT TAC CAT GTC 1008
 Pro Ala Ser Ala Tyr Gln Val Arg Asn Ser Ser Gly Leu Tyr His Val
 325 330 335

ACC AAT GAT TGC CCC AAC TCG AGT ATT GTG TAC GAG ACG GCC GAT GCC 1056
 Thr Asn Asp Cys Pro Asn Ser Ser Ile Val Tyr Glu Thr Ala Asp Ala
 340 345 350

ATC CTG CAC ACT CCG GGG TGC GTC CCT TGC GTT CGT GAG GGC AAC GCC 1104
 Ile Leu His Thr Pro Gly Cys Val Pro Cys Val Arg Glu Gly Asn Ala
 355 360 365

TCG AGA TGT TGG GTG GCG GTG GCC CCC ACA GTG GCC ACC AGG GAT GGA 1152
 Ser Arg Cys Trp Val Ala Val Ala Pro Thr Val Ala Thr Arg Asp Gly
 370 375 380

AAA CTC CCC GCA ACG CAG CTT CGA CGT CAC ATT GAT CTG CTT GTC GGG 1200
 Lys Leu Pro Ala Thr Gln Leu Arg Arg His Ile Asp Leu Leu Val Gly
 385 390 395 400

AGC GCC ACC CTC TGT TCG GCC CTC TAC TTA AGG AGC TCG GTA CCC GGG 1248
 Ser Ala Thr Leu Cys Ser Ala Leu Tyr Leu Arg Ser Ser Val Pro Gly
 405 410 415

GAT CCT CTA GAC TGC AGG CAT GCT AAG 1275
 Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 420 425

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:27:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 425 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:27:

102

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240

Asp Pro Ser Thr Arg Ile Arg Arg Ser Arg Asn Leu Gly Lys Val Ile
245 250 255

Asp Thr Leu Thr Cys Gly Phe Ala Asp Leu Met Gly Tyr Ile Pro Leu
260 265 270

Val Gly Ala Pro Leu Gly Gly Ala Ala Arg Ala Leu Gly His Gly Val
275 280 285

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Arg Val Leu Glu Asp Gly Val Asn Tyr Ala Thr Gly Asn Leu Pro Gly
 290 295 300

Cys Ser Phe Ser Ile Phe Leu Leu Ala Leu Leu Ser Cys Leu Thr Val
 305 310 315 320

Pro Ala Ser Ala Tyr Gln Val Arg Asn Ser Ser Gly Leu Tyr His Val
 325 330 335

Thr Asn Asp Cys Pro Asn Ser Ser Ile Val Tyr Glu Thr Ala Asp Ala
 340 345 350

Ile Leu His Thr Pro Gly Cys Val Pro Cys Val Arg Glu Gly Asn Ala
 355 360 365

Ser Arg Cys Trp Val Ala Val Ala Pro Thr Val Ala Thr Arg Asp Gly
 370 375 380

Lys Leu Pro Ala Thr Gln Leu Arg Arg His Ile Asp Leu Leu Val Gly
 385 390 395 400

Ser Ala Thr Leu Cys Ser Ala Leu Tyr Leu Arg Ser Ser Val Pro Gly
 405 410 415

Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 420 425

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:28:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1401 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1401

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:28:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG 48
 Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15

CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT 96
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30

GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA 144
 Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45

ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT GGC GGT GAA 192
 Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60

GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG 240
 Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80

GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT 288
 Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95

GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT 336
 Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110

GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG 384
 Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125

CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG 432
 Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
 130 135 140

GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT 480
 Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
 145 150 155 160

CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT 528
 Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
 165 170 175

AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC 576
 Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
 180 185 190

CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG 624
 Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
 195 200 205

TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT 672
 Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
 210 215 220

GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC 720
 Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
 225 230 235 240

GAC CCG TCG ACT CGA ATT CTG CTT GTC GGG AGC GCC ACC CTC TGC TCG 768
 Asp Pro Ser Thr Arg Ile Leu Leu Val Gly Ser Ala Thr Leu Cys Ser
 245 250 255

GCC CTC TAT GTG GGG GAC TTG TGC GGG TCT GTC TTT CTT GTC GGT CAA 816
 Ala Leu Tyr Val Gly Asp Leu Cys Gly Ser Val Phe Leu Val Gly Gln

105

260	265	270	
CTG TTC ACT TTC TCC CCC AGG CAG CAC TGG ACA ACG CAA GAC TGC AAC			864
Leu Phe Thr Phe Ser Pro Arg Gln His Trp Thr Thr Gln Asp Cys Asn			
275	280	285	
TGT TCT ATC TAC CCC GGC CAC GTA ACG GGT CAC CGC ATG GCA TGG GAT			912
Cys Ser Ile Tyr Pro Gly His Val Thr Gly His Arg Met Ala Trp Asp			
290	295	300	
ATG ATG ATG AAC TGG TCC CCT ACG ACA GCG CTG GTA GTA GCT CAG CTG			960
Met Met Met Asn Trp Ser Pro Thr Thr Ala Leu Val Val Ala Gln Leu			
305	310	315	320
CTC AGG GTC CCG CAA GCC ATC TTG GAC ATG ATC GCT GGT GCC CAC TGG			1008
Leu Arg Val Pro Gln Ala Ile Leu Asp Met Ile Ala Gly Ala His Trp			
325	330	335	
GGA GTC CTA GCG GGC ATA GCG TAT TTC TCC ATG GTG GGG AAC TGG GCG			1056
Gly Val Leu Ala Gly Ile Ala Tyr Phe Ser Met Val Gly Asn Trp Ala			
340	345	350	
AAG GTC CTG GTA GTG CTG CTG CTA TTT GCC GGC GTT GAC GCG GAA ACC			1104
Lys Val Leu Val Val Leu Leu Leu Phe Ala Gly Val Asp Ala Glu Thr			
355	360	365	
CAC GTC ACC GGG GGA AGT GCC GGC CAC ATT ACG GCT GGG CTT GTT CGT			1152
His Val Thr Gly Gly Ser Ala Gly His Ile Thr Ala Gly Leu Val Arg			
370	375	380	
CTC CTT TCA CCA GGC GCC AAG CAG AAC ATC CAA CTG ATC AAC ACC AAC			1200
Leu Leu Ser Pro Gly Ala Lys Gln Asn Ile Gln Leu Ile Asn Thr Asn			
385	390	395	400
GGC AGT TGG CAC ATC AAT AGC ACG GCC TTG AAC TGC AAT GAA AGC CTT			1248
Gly Ser Trp His Ile Asn Ser Thr Ala Leu Asn Cys Asn Glu Ser Leu			
405	410	415	
AAC ACC GGC TGG TTA GCA GGG CTC TTC TAT CAC CAC AAA TTC AAC TCT			1296
Asn Thr Gly Trp Leu Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr His His Lys Phe Asn Ser			
420	425	430	
TCA GGC TGT CCT GAG AGG GTT GCC AGC TGC CGT CGC CTT ACC GAT TTT			1344
Ser Gly Cys Pro Glu Arg Val Ala Ser Cys Arg Arg Leu Thr Asp Phe			
435	440	445	
GAC CAG GGC TGG GAA TTC GAG CTC GGT ACC CGG GGA TCC TCT AGA CTG			1392
Asp Gln Gly Trp Glu Phe Glu Leu Gly Thr Arg Gly Ser Ser Arg Leu			
450	455	460	
CAG GCA TGC			1401
Gln Ala Cys			
465			

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:29:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 467 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:29:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
1 5 10 15

Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
20 25 30

Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
35 40 45

Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
50 55 60

Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
115 120 125

Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
130 135 140

Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175

Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190

Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205

Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220

Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240

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Asp Pro Ser Thr Arg Ile Leu Leu Val Gly Ser Ala Thr Leu Cys Ser
 245 250 255

Ala Leu Tyr Val Gly Asp Leu Cys Gly Ser Val Phe Leu Val Gly Gln
 260 265 270

Leu Phe Thr Phe Ser Pro Arg Gln His Trp Thr Thr Gln Asp Cys Asn
 275 280 285

Cys Ser Ile Tyr Pro Gly His Val Thr Gly His Arg Met Ala Trp Asp
 290 295 300

Met Met Met Asn Trp Ser Pro Thr Thr Ala Leu Val Val Ala Gln Leu
 305 310 315 320

Leu Arg Val Pro Gln Ala Ile Leu Asp Met Ile Ala Gly Ala His Trp
 325 330 335

Gly Val Leu Ala Gly Ile Ala Tyr Phe Ser Met Val Gly Asn Trp Ala
 340 345 350

Lys Val Leu Val Val Leu Leu Leu Phe Ala Gly Val Asp Ala Glu Thr
 355 360 365

His Val Thr Gly Gly Ser Ala Gly His Ile Thr Ala Gly Leu Val Arg
 370 375 380

Leu Leu Ser Pro Gly Ala Lys Gln Asn Ile Gln Leu Ile Asn Thr Asn
 385 390 395 400

Gly Ser Trp His Ile Asn Ser Thr Ala Leu Asn Cys Asn Glu Ser Leu
 405 410 415

Asn Thr Gly Trp Leu Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr His His Lys Phe Asn Ser
 420 425 430

Ser Gly Cys Pro Glu Arg Val Ala Ser Cys Arg Arg Leu Thr Asp Phe
 435 440 445

Asp Gln Gly Trp Glu Phe Glu Leu Gly Thr Arg Gly Ser Ser Arg Leu
 450 455 460

Gln Ala Cys
 465

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:30:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1422 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 1..1422

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:30:

ATGAGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GCC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTATGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100 105 110	
GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG GCG ACT CTG GCG GTG	384
Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val	
115 120 125	
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG	432
Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val	
130 135 140	
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT	480
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile	
145 150 155 160	
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT	528
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp	
165 170 175	
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC	576
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile	
180 185 190	

CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met 195 200 205	624
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala 210 215 220	672
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu 225 230 235 240	720
GAC CCG TCG ACC GAA TTC GGT GAC ATC ATC AAC GGC TTG CCC GTC TCC Asp Pro Ser Thr Glu Phe Gly Asp Ile Ile Asn Gly Leu Pro Val Ser 245 250 255	768
GCC CGT AGG GGC CAG GAG ATA CTG CTC GGA CCA GCC GAC GGA ATG GTC Ala Arg Arg Gly Gln Glu Ile Leu Leu Gly Pro Ala Asp Gly Met Val 260 265 270	816
TCC AAG GGG TGG AGG TTG CTG GCG CCC ATC ACG GCG TAC GCC CAG CAG Ser Lys Gly Trp Arg Leu Leu Ala Pro Ile Thr Ala Tyr Ala Gln Gln 275 280 285	864
ACA AGG GGC CTC CTA GGG TGT ATA ATC ACC AGC CTG ACT GGC CGG GAC Thr Arg Gly Leu Leu Gly Cys Ile Ile Thr Ser Leu Thr Gly Arg Asp 290 295 300	912
AAA AAC CAA GCG GAG GGT GAG GTC CAG ATT GTG TCA ACT GCT GCC CAA Lys Asn Gln Ala Glu Gly Glu Val Gln Ile Val Ser Thr Ala Ala Gln 305 310 315 320	960
ACT TTC CTG GCA ACG TGC ATC AAT GGG GTA TGC TGG ACT GTC TAC CAT Thr Phe Leu Ala Thr Cys Ile Asn Gly Val Cys Trp Thr Val Tyr His 325 330 335	1008
GGG GCC GGA ACG AGG ACC CTC GCA TCA CCC AAG GGT CCT GTT ATC CAG Gly Ala Gly Thr Arg Thr Leu Ala Ser Pro Lys Gly Pro Val Ile Gln 340 345 350	1056
ATG TAT ACC AAT GTA GAC CAA GAC CTT GTG GGC TGG CCC GCT CCT CAA Met Tyr Thr Asn Val Asp Gln Asp Leu Val Gly Trp Pro Ala Pro Gln 355 360 365	1104
GGT GCC CGC TCA TTG ACA CCC TGC ACC TGC GGC TCC TCG GAC CTT TAC Gly Ala Arg Ser Leu Thr Pro Cys Thr Cys Gly Ser Ser Asp Leu Tyr 370 375 380	1152
CTG GTT ACG AGG CAC GCC GAT GTC ATT CCC GTG CGC CGG CGG GGT GAT Leu Val Thr Arg His Ala Asp Val Ile Pro Val Arg Arg Arg Gly Asp 385 390 395 400	1200
AGC AGG GGC AGC CTG CTT TCG CCC CGG CCC ATT TCT TAT TTG AAA GGC Ser Arg Gly Ser Leu Leu Ser Pro Arg Pro Ile Ser Tyr Leu Lys Gly	1248

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405 410 415
 TCC TCG GGG GGT CCG CTG TTG TGC CCC GCG GGA CAC GCC GTG GGC ATA 1296
 Ser Ser Gly Gly Pro Leu Leu Cys Pro Ala Gly His Ala Val Gly Ile
 420 425 430
 TTC AGG GCC GCG GTG TGT ACC CGT GGA GTG GCT AAG GCG GTG GAC TTT 1344
 Phe Arg Ala Ala Val Cys Thr Arg Gly Val Ala Lys Ala Val Asp Phe
 435 440 445
 GTC CCC GTG GAG AAC CTC GAG ACA ACC ATG AAT TCG AGC TCG GTA CCC 1392
 Val Pro Val Glu Asn Leu Glu Thr Thr Met Asn Ser Ser Ser Val Pro
 450 455 460
 GGG GAT CCT CTA GAC TGC AGG CAT GCT AAG 1422
 Gly Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 465 470

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:31:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 474 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:31:

Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu
 1 5 10 15
 Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His
 20 25 30
 Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala
 35 40 45
 Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu
 50 55 60
 Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala
 65 70 75 80
 Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
 85 90 95
 Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
 100 105 110
 Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Ala Thr Leu Ala Val
 115 120 125
 Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val

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130 135 140
Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160
Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
165 170 175
Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile
180 185 190
Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met
195 200 205
Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala
210 215 220
Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu
225 230 235 240
Asp Pro Ser Thr Glu Phe Gly Asp Ile Ile Asn Gly Leu Pro Val Ser
245 250 255
Ala Arg Arg Gly Gln Glu Ile Leu Leu Gly Pro Ala Asp Gly Met Val
260 265 270
Ser Lys Gly Trp Arg Leu Leu Ala Pro Ile Thr Ala Tyr Ala Gln Gln
275 280 285
Thr Arg Gly Leu Leu Gly Cys Ile Ile Thr Ser Leu Thr Gly Arg Asp
290 295 300
Lys Asn Gln Ala Glu Gly Glu Val Gln Ile Val Ser Thr Ala Ala Gln
305 310 315 320
Thr Phe Leu Ala Thr Cys Ile Asn Gly Val Cys Trp Thr Val Tyr His
325 330 335
Gly Ala Gly Thr Arg Thr Leu Ala Ser Pro Lys Gly Pro Val Ile Gln
340 345 350
Met Tyr Thr Asn Val Asp Gln Asp Leu Val Gly Trp Pro Ala Pro Gln
355 360 365
Gly Ala Arg Ser Leu Thr Pro Cys Thr Cys Gly Ser Ser Asp Leu Tyr
370 375 380
Leu Val Thr Arg His Ala Asp Val Ile Pro Val Arg Arg Arg Gly Asp
385 390 395 400
Ser Arg Gly Ser Leu Leu Ser Pro Arg Pro Ile Ser Tyr Leu Lys Gly
405 410 415
Ser Ser Gly Gly Pro Leu Leu Cys Pro Ala Gly His Ala Val Gly Ile
420 425 430

Phe Arg Ala Ala Val Cys Thr Arg Gly Val Ala Lys Ala Val Asp Phe
 435 440 445

Val Pro Val Glu Asn Leu Glu Thr Thr Met Asn Ser Ser Ser Val Pro
 450 455 460

Gly Asp Pro Leu Asp Cys Arg His Ala Lys
 465 470

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:32:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1401 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..1401

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:32:

ATG AGT TTT GTG GTC ATT ATT CCC GCG CGC TAC GCG TCG ACG CGT CTG	48
Met Ser Phe Val Val Ile Ile Pro Ala Arg Tyr Ala Ser Thr Arg Leu	
1 5 10 15	
CCC GGT AAA CCA TTG GTT GAT ATT AAC GGC AAA CCC ATG ATT GTT CAT	96
Pro Gly Lys Pro Leu Val Asp Ile Asn Gly Lys Pro Met Ile Val His	
20 25 30	
GTT CTT GAA CGC GCG CGT GAA TCA GGT GCC GAG CGC ATC ATC GTG GCA	144
Val Leu Glu Arg Ala Arg Glu Ser Gly Ala Glu Arg Ile Ile Val Ala	
35 40 45	
ACC GAT CAT GAG GAT GTT GCC CGC GCC GTT GAA GGC GCT GGC GGT GAA	192
Thr Asp His Glu Asp Val Ala Arg Ala Val Glu Ala Ala Gly Gly Glu	
50 55 60	
GTA TGT ATG ACG CGC GCC GAT CAT CAG TCA GGA ACA GAA CGT CTG GCG	240
Val Cys Met Thr Arg Ala Asp His Gln Ser Gly Thr Glu Arg Leu Ala	
65 70 75 80	
GAA GTT GTC GAA AAA TGC GCA TTC AGC GAC GAC ACG GTG ATC GTT AAT	288
Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn	
85 90 95	
GTG CAG GGT GAT GAA CCG ATG ATC CCT GCG ACA ATC ATT CGT CAG GTT	336
Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val	
100 105 110	

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GCT GAT AAC CTC GCT CAG CGT CAG GTG GGT ATG ACG ACT CTG GCG GTG Ala Asp Asn Leu Ala Gln Arg Gln Val Gly Met Thr Thr Leu Ala Val 115 120 125	384
CCA ATC CAC AAT GCG GAA GAA GCG TTT AAC CCG AAT GCG GTG AAA GTG Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val 130 135 140	432
GTT CTC GAC GCT GAA GGG TAT GCA CTG TAC TTC TCT CGC GCC ACC ATT Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile 145 150 155 160	480
CCT TGG GAT CGT GAT CGT TTT GCA GAA GGC CTT GAA ACC GTT GGC GAT Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp 165 170 175	528
AAC TTC CTG CGT CAT CTT GGT ATT TAT GGC TAC CGT GCA GGC TTT ATC Asn Phe Leu Arg His Leu Gly Ile Tyr Gly Tyr Arg Ala Gly Phe Ile 180 185 190	576
CGT CGT TAC GTC AAC TGG CAG CCA AGT CCG TTA GAA CAC ATC GAA ATG Arg Arg Tyr Val Asn Trp Gln Pro Ser Pro Leu Glu His Ile Glu Met 195 200 205	624
TTA GAG CAG CTT CGT GTT CTG TGG TAC GGC GAA AAA ATC CAT GTT GCT Leu Glu Gln Leu Arg Val Leu Trp Tyr Gly Glu Lys Ile His Val Ala 210 215 220	672
GTT GCT CAG GAA GTT CCT GGC ACA GGT GTG GAT ACC CCT GAA GAT CTC Val Ala Gln Glu Val Pro Gly Thr Gly Val Asp Thr Pro Glu Asp Leu 225 230 235 240	720
GAC CCG TCG ACG AAT TCC ACC ATG GGG CAT TAT CCT TGT ACC ATC AAC Asp Pro Ser Thr Asn Ser Thr Met Gly His Tyr Pro Cys Thr Ile Asn 245 250 255	768
TAC ACC CTG TTC AAA GTC AGG ATG TAC GTG GGA GGG GTC GAG CAC AGG Tyr Thr Leu Phe Lys Val Arg Met Tyr Val Gly Gly Val Glu His Arg 260 265 270	816
CTG GAA GTT GCT TGC AAC TGG ACG CGG GGC GAA CGT TGT GAT CTG GAC Leu Glu Val Ala Cys Asn Trp Thr Arg Gly Glu Arg Cys Asp Leu Asp 275 280 285	864
GAC AGG GAC AGG TCC GAG CTC AGC CCG CTG CTG CTG TCC ACC ACT CAG Asp Arg Asp Arg Ser Glu Leu Ser Pro Leu Leu Ser Thr Thr Gln 290 295 300	912
TGG CAG GTC CTT CCG TGT TCC TTC ACG ACC TTG CCA GCC TTG ACC ACC Trp Gln Val Leu Pro Cys Ser Phe Thr Thr Leu Pro Ala Leu Thr Thr 305 310 315 320	960
GGC CTC ATC CAC CTC CAC CAG AAC ATC GTG GAC GTG CAA TAC TTG TAC Gly Leu Ile His Leu His Gln Asn Ile Val Asp Val Gln Tyr Leu Tyr 325 330 335	1008

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GGG GTG GGG TCA AGC ATT GTG TCC TGG GCC ATC AAG TGG GAG TAC GTC 1056
 Gly Val Gly Ser Ser Ile Val Ser Trp Ala Ile Lys Trp Glu Tyr Val
 340 345 350

ATC CTC TTG TTT CTC CTG CTT GCA GAC GCG CGC ATC TGC TCC TGC TTG 1104
 Ile Leu Leu Phe Leu Leu Leu Ala Asp Ala Arg Ile Cys Ser Cys Leu
 355 360 365

TGG ATG ATG TTA CTC ATA TCC CAA GCG GAG GCA GCC TTG GAA AAC CTT 1152
 Trp Met Met Leu Leu Ile Ser Gln Ala Glu Ala Ala Leu Glu Asn Leu
 370 375 380

GTG TTA CTC AAT GCG GCG TCT CTG GCC GGG ACG CAC GGT CTT GTG TCC 1200
 Val Leu Leu Asn Ala Ala Ser Leu Ala Gly Thr His Gly Leu Val Ser
 385 390 395 400

TTC CTC GTG TTT TTC TGC TTT GCA TGG TAT CTG AAG GGT AAG TGG GTG 1248
 Phe Leu Val Phe Phe Cys Phe Ala Trp Tyr Leu Lys Gly Lys Trp Val
 405 410 415

CCC GGA GTG GCC TAC GCC TTC TAC GGG ATG TGG CCT TTC CTC CTG CTC 1296
 Pro Gly Val Ala Tyr Ala Phe Tyr Gly Met Trp Pro Phe Leu Leu Leu
 420 425 430

CTG TTA GCG TTG CCC CAA CGG GCA TAC GCG CTG GAC ACG GAG ATG GCC 1344
 Leu Leu Ala Leu Pro Gln Arg Ala Tyr Ala Leu Asp Thr Glu Met Ala
 435 440 445

GCG TCG TGT GGC GGC GTT GTT CTT GTC GGG TTA ATG GCG CTG ACT CTG 1392
 Ala Ser Cys Gly Gly Val Val Leu Val Gly Leu Met Ala Leu Thr Leu
 450 455 460

TCA CCA TAT 1401
 Ser Pro Tyr
 465

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:33:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 467 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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(D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

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- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
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 Gln Leu Ile Asn Thr Asn Gly Ser Trp His Ile Asn Arg Thr Ala Leu
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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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65 70 75 80

Glu Val Val Glu Lys Cys Ala Phe Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Ile Val Asn
85 90 95

Val Gln Gly Asp Glu Pro Met Ile Pro Ala Thr Ile Ile Arg Gln Val
100 105 110

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Pro Ile His Asn Ala Glu Glu Ala Phe Asn Pro Asn Ala Val Lys Val
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Val Leu Asp Ala Glu Gly Tyr Ala Leu Tyr Phe Ser Arg Ala Thr Ile
145 150 155 160

Pro Trp Asp Arg Asp Arg Phe Ala Glu Gly Leu Glu Thr Val Gly Asp
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Lys Leu Pro Ser Thr Gln Leu Arg Arg His Ile Asp Leu Leu Val Gly
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CLAIMS

1. A recombinant fusion protein SEQ. ID. NO. 1.
 2. A recombinant fusion protein SEQ. ID. NO. 2.
 3. A recombinant fusion protein SEQ. ID. NO. 3.
 - 5 4. A recombinant fusion protein SEQ. ID. NO. 4.
 5. A recombinant fusion protein SEQ. ID. NO. 5.
 6. A polypeptide SEQ. ID. NO. 1.
 7. A polypeptide SEQ. ID. NO. 2.
 8. A polypeptide SEQ. ID. NO. 3.
 - 1 0 9. A polypeptide SEQ. ID. NO. 4.
 10. A polypeptide SEQ. ID. NO. 5.
11. An assay for identifying the presence of an antibody immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample comprising:
- 1 5 contacting the sample with at least one polypeptide selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5 under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide; and detecting the antibody-
- 2 0 polypeptide complex.
12. In a confirmatory assay for identifying the presence of an antibody in a fluid sample immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen wherein the sample is used to prepare first and second immunologically equivalent aliquots and the first
- 2 5 aliquot is contacted with at least one polypeptide selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5 under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide and wherein the first antibody-antigen complex is
- 3 0 detected, and:
- contacting the second aliquot with a polypeptide selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5 under conditions suitable to form a
- 3 5 second antibody-antigen complex; and detecting the second antibody-antigen complex; wherein the polypeptide selected in the first aliquot is not the same as the polypeptide selected in the second aliquot.

13. In an immunodot assay for identifying the presence of an antibody immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample wherein the sample is concurrently contacted with at least two polypeptides separately bound to distinct regions of the solid support, each containing distinct epitopes of an HCV antigen under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide; and detecting the antibody-polypeptide complex, and

wherein said polypeptides are selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5.

14. In a competition assay for identifying the presence of an antibody immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample wherein the sample is used to prepare first and second immunologically equivalent aliquots wherein the first aliquot is contacted with a polypeptide bound to a solid support under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide to form a detectable antibody-polypeptide complex, and wherein the second aliquot is first contacted with unbound polypeptide and then contacted with said bound polypeptide wherein the polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5.

15. In a competition assay for identifying the presence of an antibody immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample wherein the sample is used to prepare first and second immunologically equivalent aliquots wherein the first aliquot is contacted with a polypeptide bound to a solid support under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide to form a detectable antibody-polypeptide complex and wherein the second aliquot is first contacted with unbound polypeptide and then contacted with said bound polypeptide wherein the polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5; wherein the second aliquot is contacted with unbound and bound polypeptide simultaneously.

16. In a neutralization assay for identifying the presence of an antibody immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample wherein the sample is used to prepare first and second immunologically equivalent aliquots wherein the

first aliquot is contacted with a polypeptide bound to a solid support under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide to form a detectable antibody-polypeptide complex wherein the bound polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5;

and wherein the second aliquot is first contacted with unbound polypeptide and then contacted with said bound polypeptide wherein the unbound polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5 and wherein the bound polypeptide selected is not the same as the unbound polypeptide selected.

17. In a neutralization assay for identifying the presence of an antibody immunologically reactive with an HCV antigen in a fluid sample wherein the sample is used to prepare first and second immunologically equivalent aliquots wherein the first aliquot is contacted with a polypeptide bound to a solid support under conditions suitable for complexing the antibody with the polypeptide to form a detectable antibody-polypeptide complex wherein the bound polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5;

and wherein the second aliquot is first contacted with unbound polypeptide and then contacted with said bound polypeptide wherein the unbound polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5;

and wherein the bound polypeptide selected is not the same as the unbound polypeptide selected;

and wherein the second aliquot is contacted with unbound and bound polypeptide simultaneously.

18. An immunoassay kit comprising:
a polypeptide containing at least one HCV antigen selected from the group consisting of recombinant fusion proteins SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5, and polypeptides SEQ. ID. NO. 1, SEQ. ID. NO. 2, SEQ. ID. NO. 3, SEQ. ID. NO. 4, SEQ. ID. NO. 5;

one or more sample preparation reagents;

and one or more detection and signal producing reagents.

19. A kit of claim 18 wherein the polypeptides are bound to a solid support.

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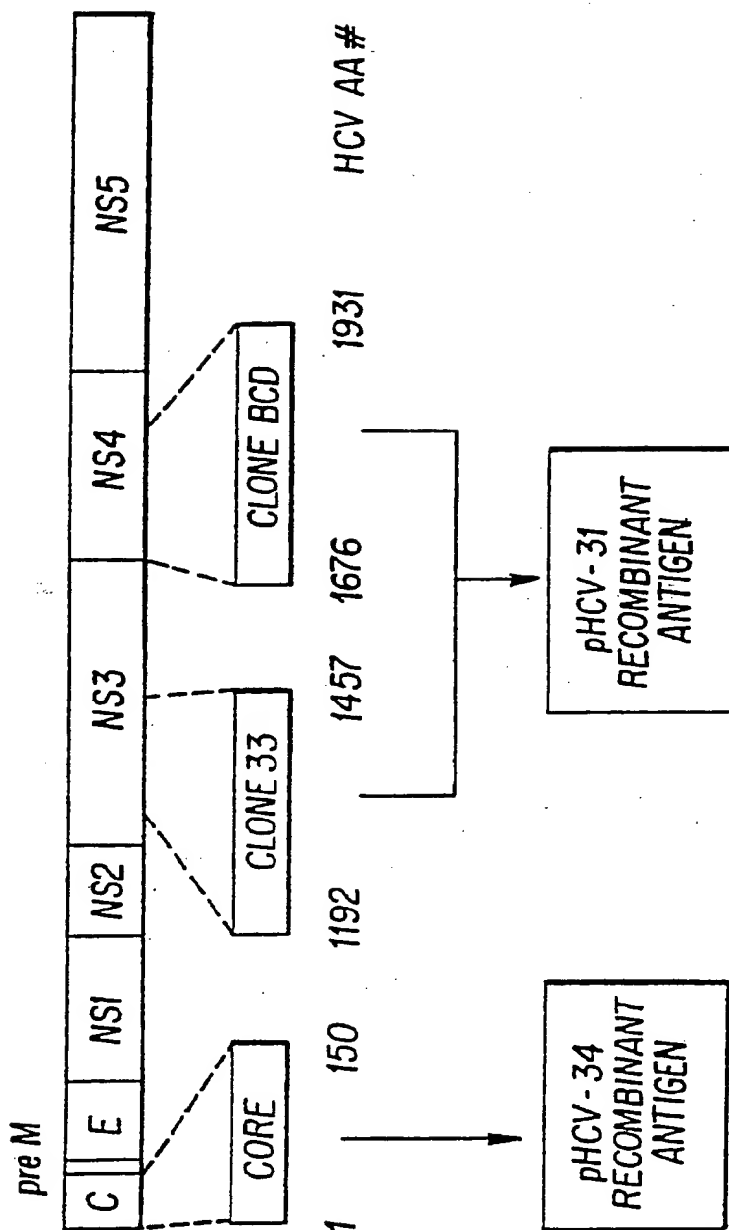


FIG. 1

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SEROLOGIC PROFILE OF CHIMPANZEES INOCULATED WITH HEPATITIS C VIRUS									
ID #	NAME	Pre ** (range)	ALT (mIU/ml) ELEVATION* (DPI)			Maximum value	DETECTION OF SEROCONVERSION TO HCV PROTEINS		
			First	Peak	Duration		C100 - 3 (DPI)	pHCV-31 pHCV-34 (DPI)	DAYS DIFFERENT
CH 427	COLONEL	29 - 53	56	75	24	280	77	56	21
CH 479	JR	14 - 20	91	91	7	156	133	98	35
CH 477	KIST	17 - 31	30	35	12	107	70	70	0
CH 335	LEO	16 - 20	38	46	21	295	59	38	21
CH 120	LOLITA	15 - 28	33	65	39	435	65	100	35
CH 21	MELLOT	12 - 30	68	75	14	190	82	66	16
CH 379	PAN	19 - 27	49	68	28	250	119	98	21

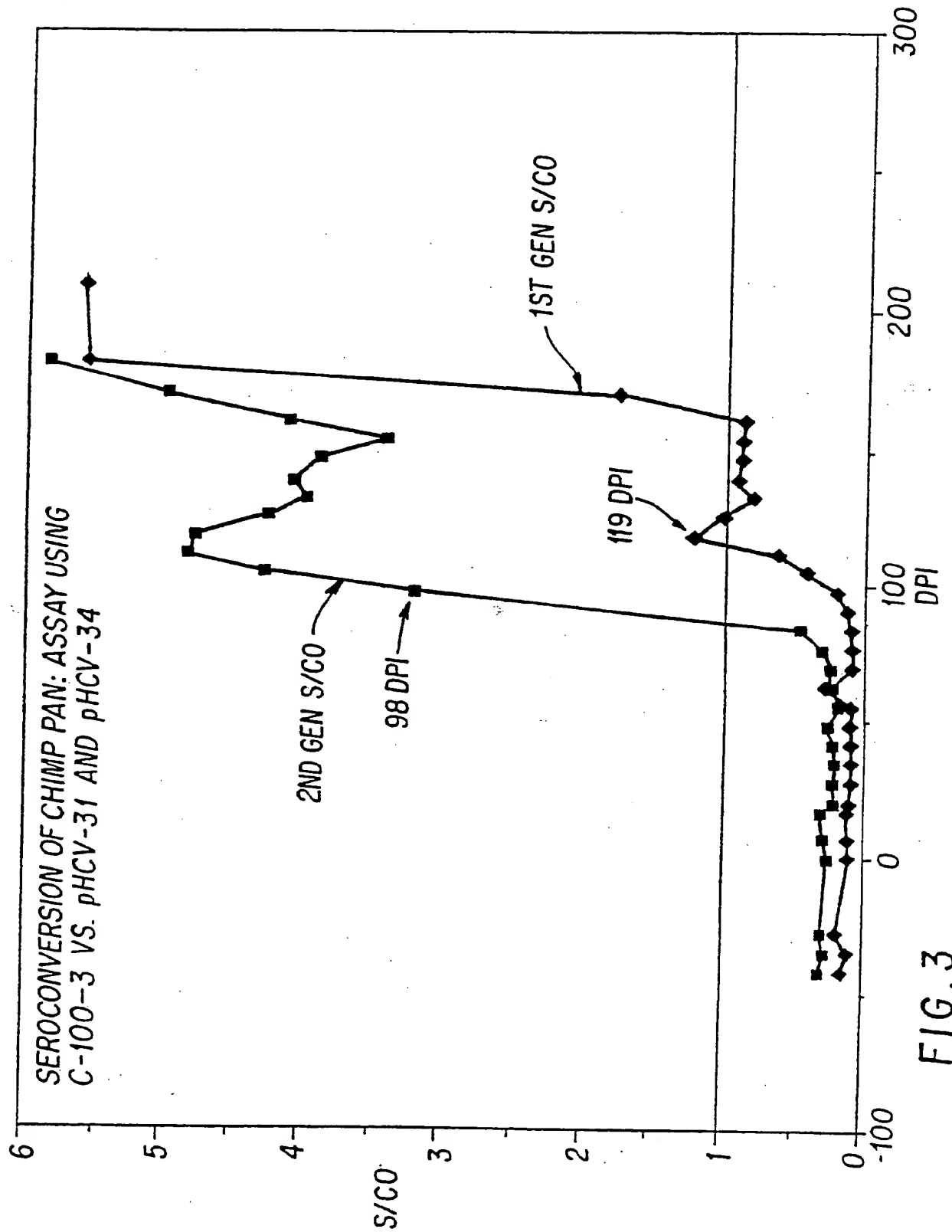
* twice the upper limit of normal values

** eleven preinoculation samples per animal

FIG. 2

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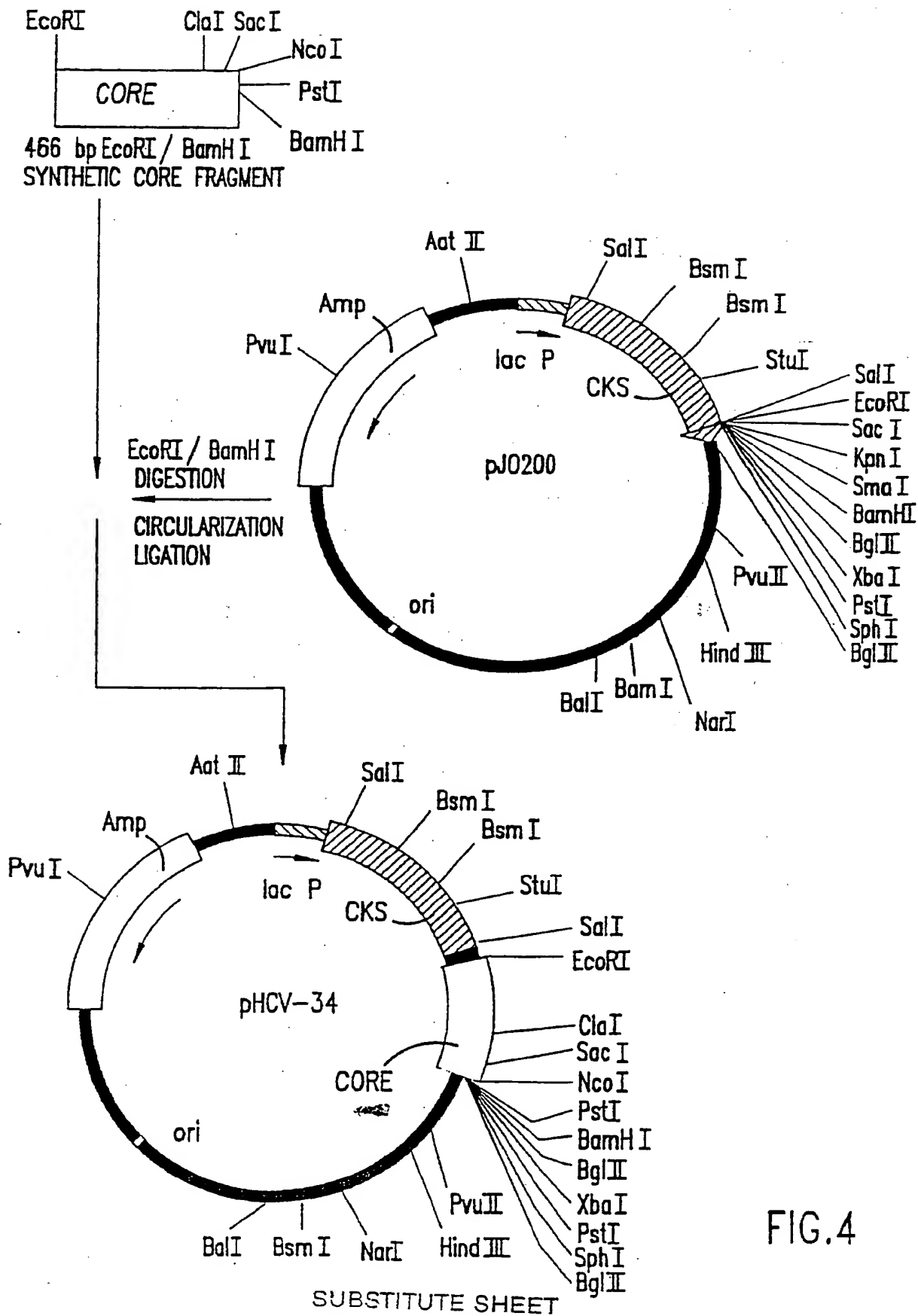


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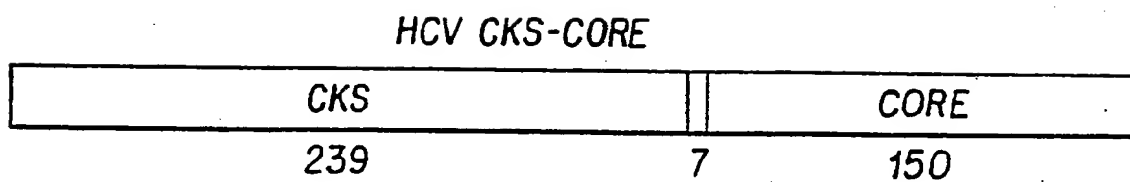


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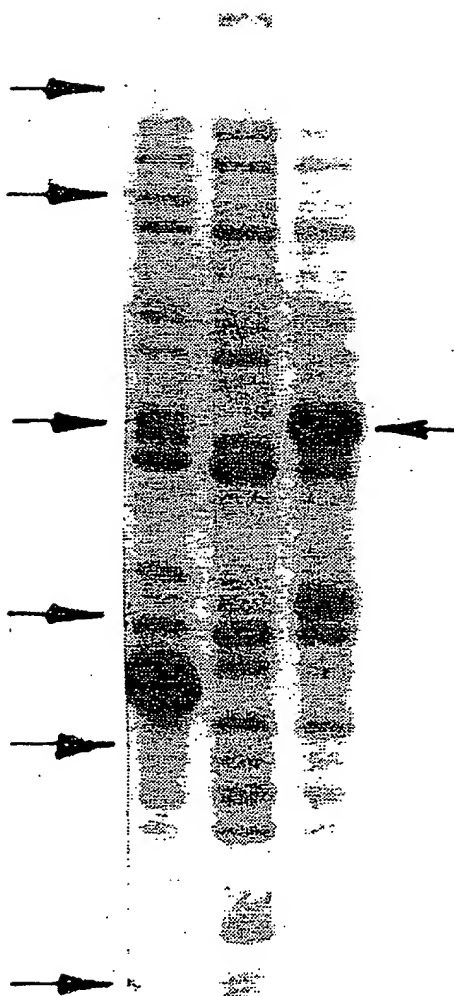
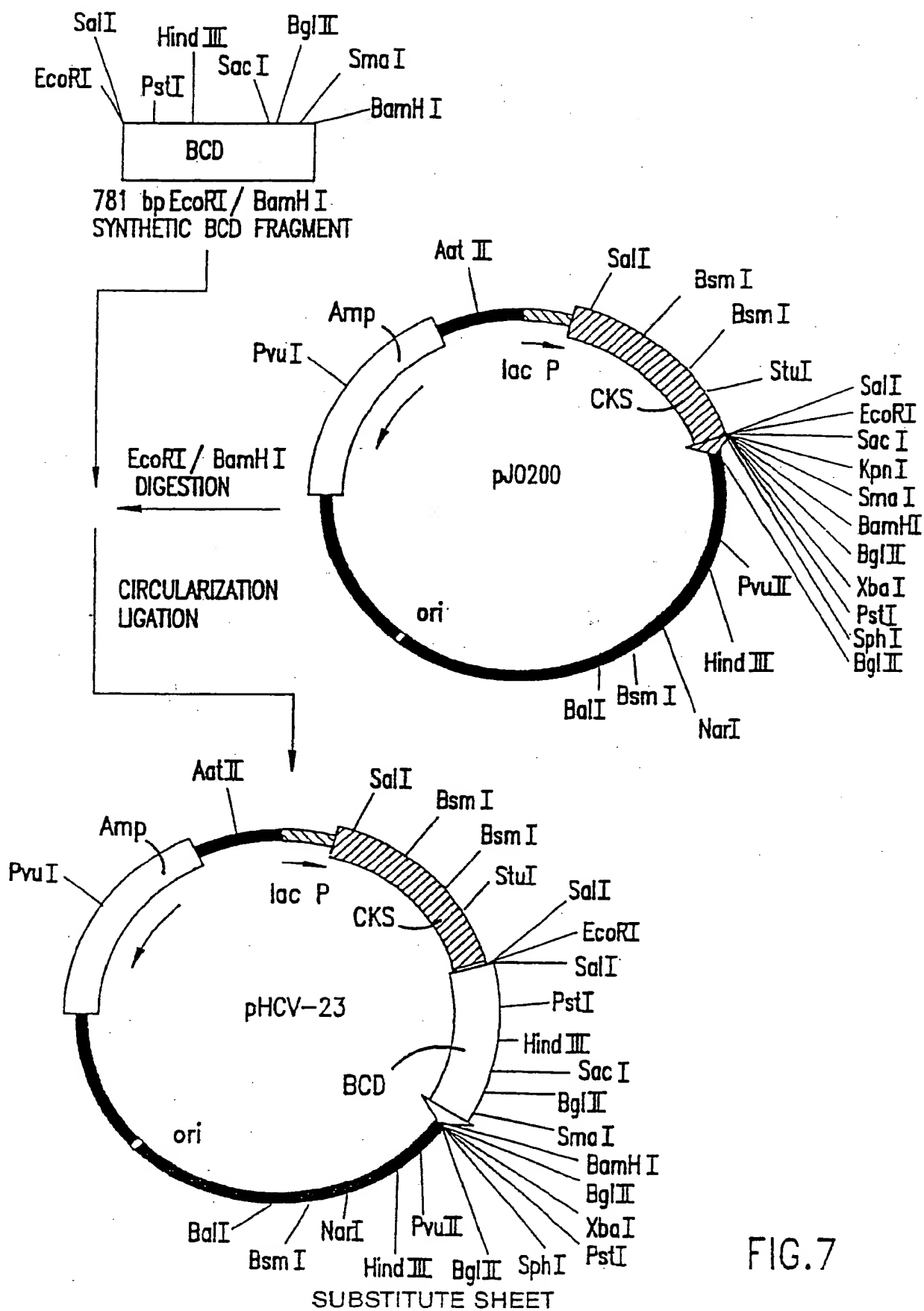


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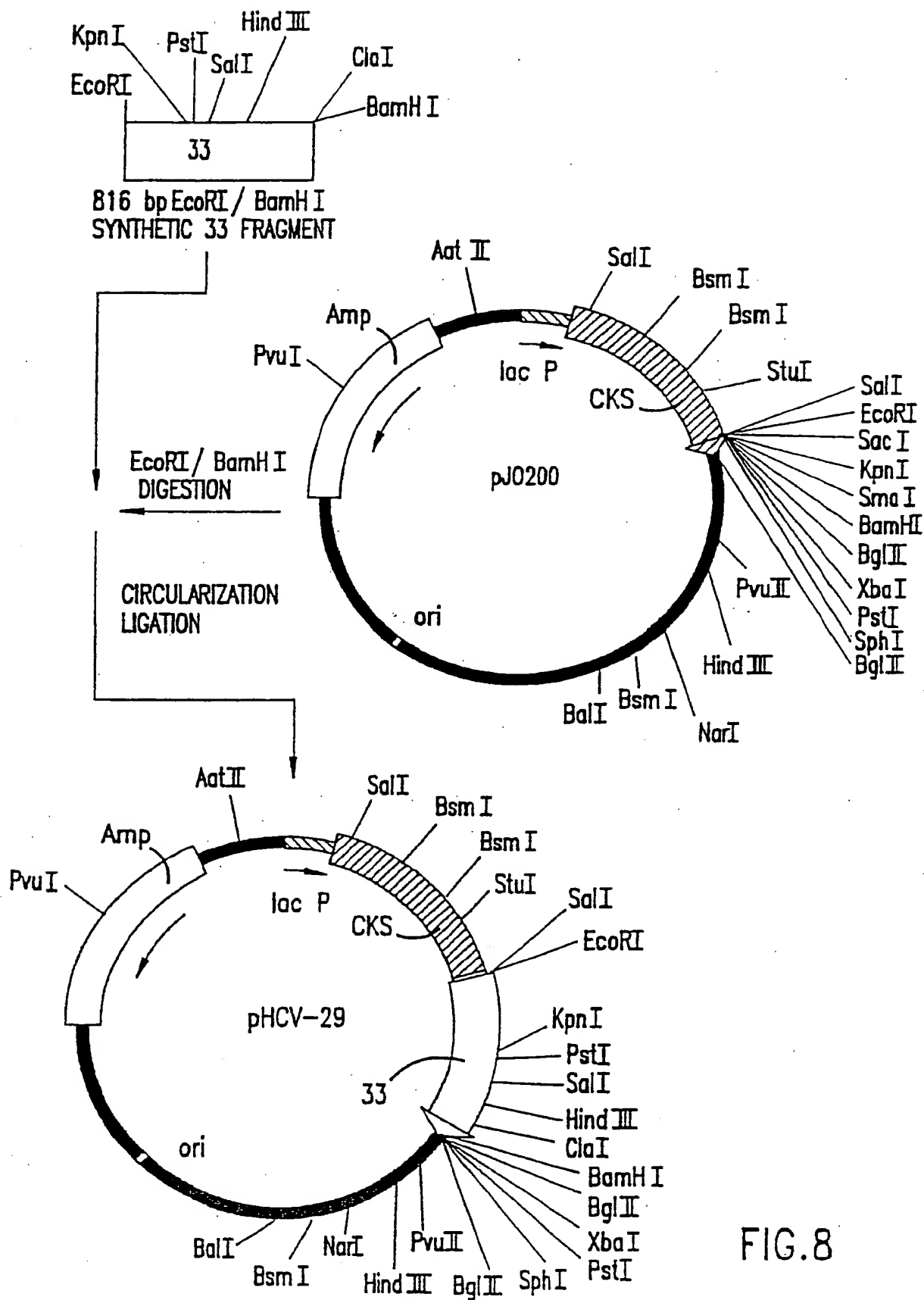


FIG.8

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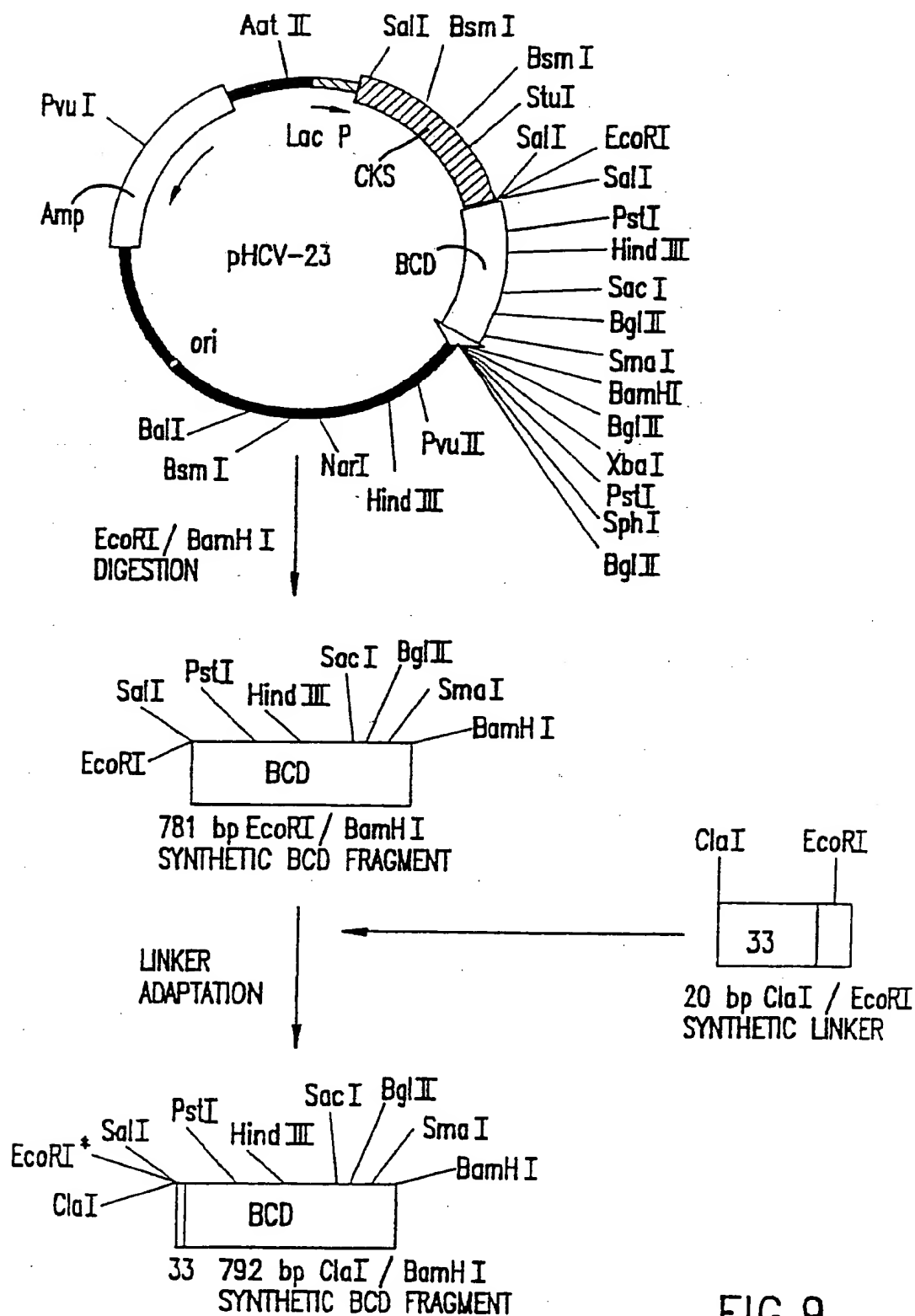


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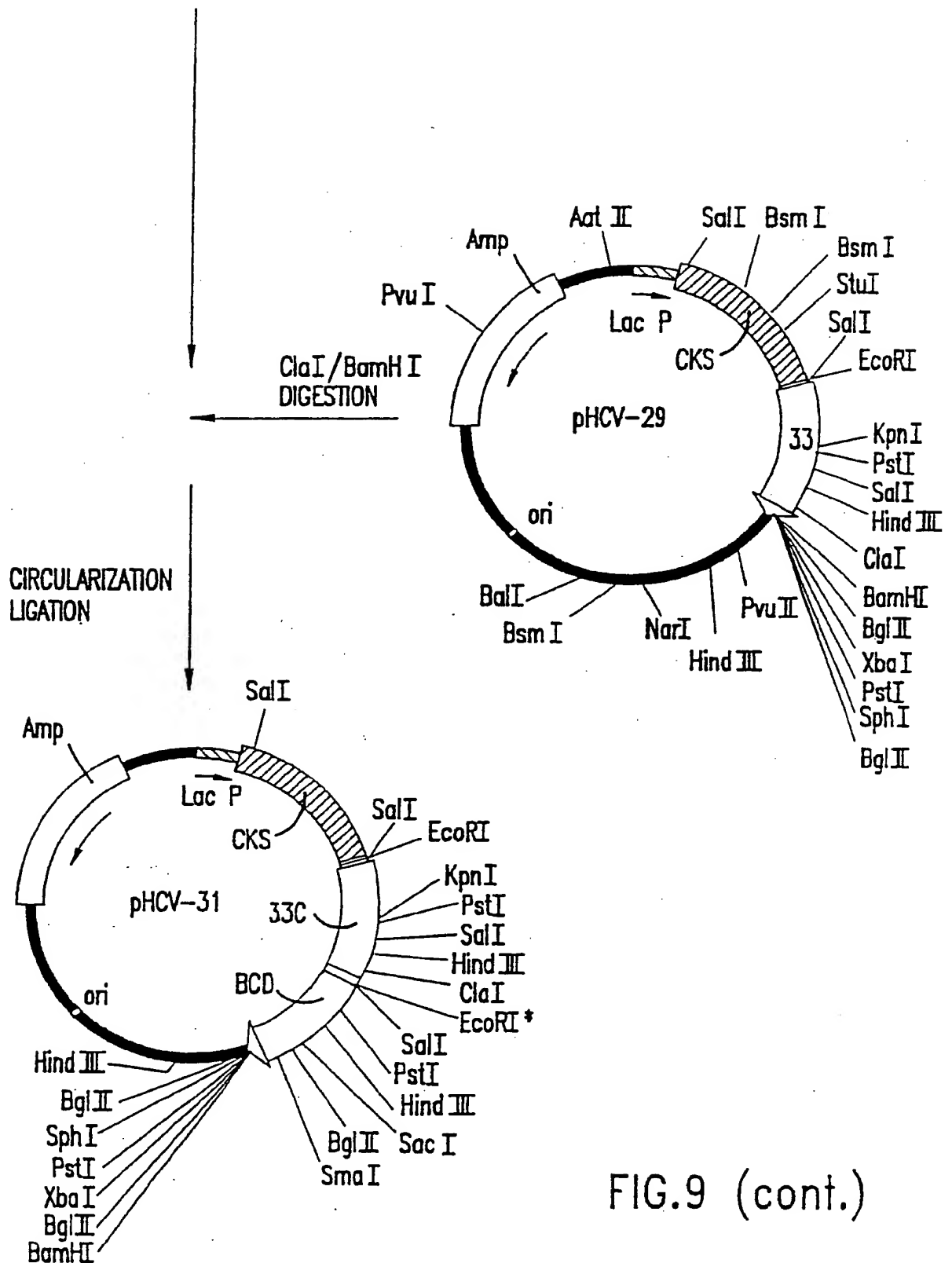


FIG.9 (cont.)

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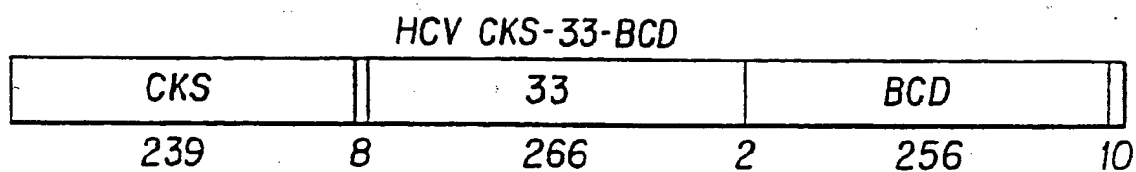


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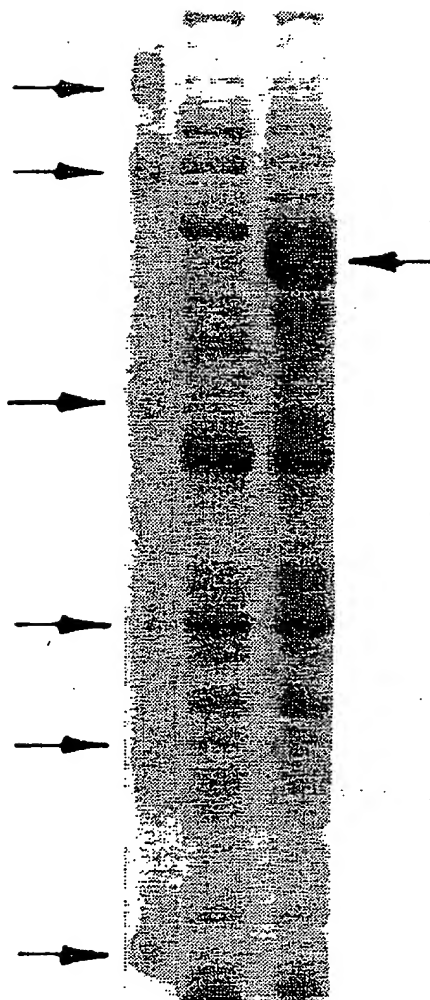


FIG. 11

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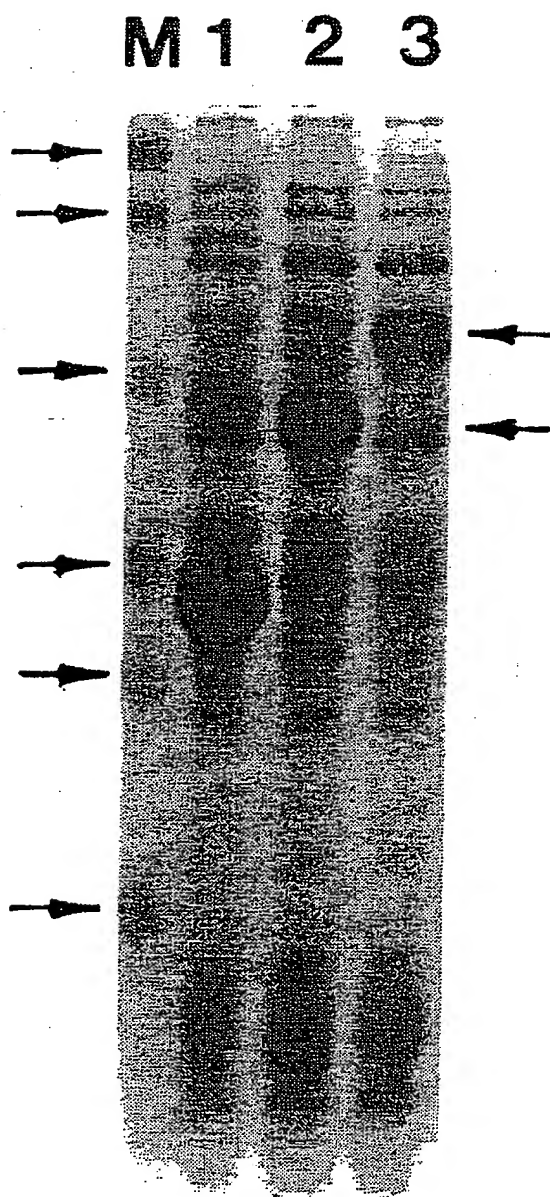


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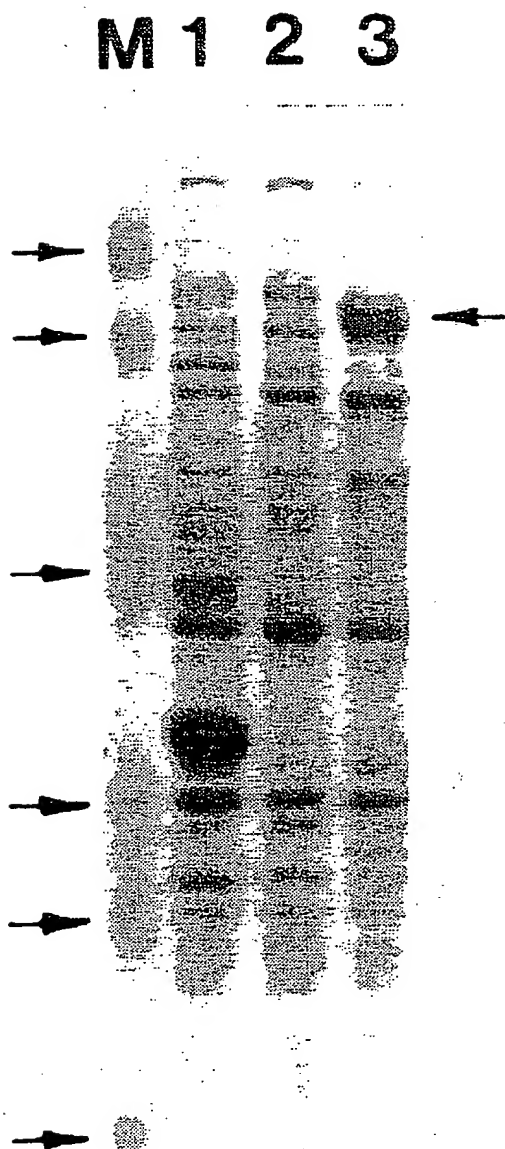


FIG. 13

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SAMPLE	ASSAY WITH C100-3	ASSAY WITH pHCV-31 pHCV-34	CONFIRMATORY RESULTS
	MANUAL S/CO	MANUAL S/CO	
1	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
2	0.63	0.54	
3	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
4	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
5	0.43	0.46	
6	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
7	0.46	0.61	
8	0.41	0.70	
9	1.87 (+)	1.83 (+)	+
10	0.35	4.88 (+)	+
11	0.48	0.49	
12	0.32	0.50	
13	0.48	0.83	
14	0.37	0.37	
15	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
16	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
17	0.34	0.44	
18	3.01 (+)	2.33 (+)	+
19	0.74	0.72	
20	0.53	0.76	
21	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
22	0.24	0.30	
23	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
24	0.69	0.84	
25	0.50	0.75	
26	3.41 (+)	2.38 (+)	+
27	0.62	0.82	
28	0.61	0.53	
29	0.34	4.94 (+)	+
30	1.58 (+)	1.85 (+)	+
31	0.32	0.52	
32	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
33	0.45	0.58	

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34	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
35	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
36	0.37	0.44	
37	0.40	0.40	
38	>5.88 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
39 *	0.40	1.10 (+)	-
40	0.53	0.63	
41	0.41	0.34	
42	0.52	0.70	
43	0.28	0.44	
44	0.44	0.70	

$$S/CO = \frac{\text{Sample OD}}{\text{Cutoff OD}}$$

S/CO = <1.0 is non-reactive

S/CO = ≥1.0 is reactive

*This specimen was negative when retested in duplicate. (S/CO values 0.56 and 0.51.)

FIG. 14 CONT

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PANEL MEMBER (LOT #)	IDENTITY	ASSAY WITH C-100-3	ASSAY WITH p HCV-31 AND p HCV-34	ORTHO ELISA	CONFIRMATORY RESULTS
		SAMPLE TO CUTOFF VALUES			
701	WEAK REACTIVE	1.819 (+)	4.469 (+)	1.239 (+)	+
702	BORDERLINE REACTIVE	1.711 (+)	4.738 (+)	1.130 (+)	+
703	NEGATIVE	0.443	0.348	0.256	-
704	WEAK REACTIVE	2.220 (+)	4.738 (+)	1.639 (+)	+
705	BORDERLINE REACTIVE	1.648 (+)	1.736 (+)	0.911	+
706	NEGATIVE	0.221	0.369	0.340	-
707	STRONG REACTIVE	5.713 (+)	4.738 (+)	4.272 (+)	+
708	STRONG REACTIVE	5.713 (+)	4.738 (+)	4.272 (+)	+
709	NON-REACTIVE*	0.401	0.533	0.650	-
710	NON-REACTIVE*	0.582	0.419	0.423	-
* CONTAINS VERY LOW LEVELS OF ANTI-HCV. NOT REQUIRED TO BE DETECTED BY CURRENT HCV ASSAYS.					

FIG.15

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ANTI - HCV RESULTS ON NON-A, NON-B HEMODIALYSIS PATIENTS

PATIENT #	DATE	ALT IU/L	ASSAY WITH C-100-3	ASSAY WITH pHCV-31, pHCV-34	CONFIRMATORY RESULTS
1	10/28/85	474	0.30 (-)	2.12 (+)	+
	11/11/85	113	0.38 (-)	4.72 (+)	+
	12/03/85	86	3.13 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	01/09/86	142	>5.61 (+)	NT	NT
	03/19/86	90	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	09/30/86	25	>5.61 (+)	>6.67 (+)	+
2	09/14/87	217	5.02 (+)	5.84 (+)	+
	09/17/87	210	>5.61 (+)	6.58 (+)	+
3	10/02/87	116	1.61 (+)	1.69 (+)	+
4	11/24/87	NA	0.41 (-)	2.13 (+)	+
	12/17/87	NA	0.47 (-)	1.27 (+)	+
	01/13/88	NA	0.46 (-)	1.56 (+)	+
	02/21/88	NA	0.34 (-)	1.45 (+)	+
7	10/02/85	298	0.79 (-)	2.94 (+)	+
	10/07/85	548	0.86 (-)	2.68 (+)	+
	10/23/85	334	2.06 (+)	2.32 (+)	+
10	01/25/89	NA	0.57 (-)	2.66 (+)	+
	02/01/89	NA	1.08 (+)	2.80 (+)	+
	02/08/89	NA	1.75 (+)	3.38 (+)	+
	02/23/89	NA	2.22 (+)	2.56 (+)	+
	03/01/89	NA	1.94 (+)	3.21 (+)	+
	03/08/89	NA	1.64 (+)	2.52 (+)	+
	03/22/89	NA	1.49 (+)	1.76 (+)	+
	04/12/89	NA	2.69 (+)	5.29 (+)	+
	04/26/89	NA	2.77 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	05/17/89	NA	2.19 (+)	2.82 (+)	+
13	10/05/88	NA	0.31 (-)	0.51 (-)	NT
	10/19/88	NA	0.40 (-)	0.61 (-)	NT
	10/28/88	NA	0.33 (-)	0.53 (-)	NT
	11/09/88	NA	0.33 (-)	0.64 (-)	NT
	11/11/88	NA	0.37 (-)	0.66 (-)	NT

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	11/18/88	NA	0.42 (-)	0.57 (-)	NT
	11/25/88	NA	0.44 (-)	0.65 (-)	NT
	12/05/88	NA	0.51 (-)	0.74 (-)	NT
	12/16/88	NA	0.28 (-)	0.68 (-)	NT
	12/23/88	NA	0.29 (-)	0.64 (-)	NT
	01/04/89	NA	0.29 (-)	0.77 (-)	NT
	01/13/89	NA	0.33 (-)	1.11 (+)	+
	01/20/89	NA	0.30 (-)	1.11 (+)	+
	02/08/89	NA	0.26 (-)	1.81 (+)	+
	02/10/89	NA	0.26 (-)	1.88 (+)	+
	02/17/89	NA	0.26 (-)	2.23 (+)	+
	02/24/89	NA	0.28 (-)	3.75 (+)	+
	03/08/89	NA	0.28 (-)	5.25 (+)	+
	03/17/89	NA	0.22 (-)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/03/89	NA	0.26 (-)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/14/89	NA	0.26 (-)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/20/89	NA	0.29 (-)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/28/89	NA	0.31 (-)	>5.65 (+)	+
	05/05/89	NA	0.28 (-)	>5.65 (+)	+
	07/03/89	NA	0.23 (-)	5.32 (+)	+
17	10/05/88	1454	0.53 (-)	0.95 (-)	NT
	10/20/88	612	0.57 (-)	2.04 (+)	+
	10/28/88	576	0.56 (-)	1.26 (+)	+
	11/09/88	306	0.54 (-)	1.39 (+)	+
	11/11/88	321	0.73 (-)	1.34 (+)	+
	11/18/88	341	0.83 (-)	1.43 (+)	+
	11/25/88	333	0.73 (-)	1.83 (+)	+
	12/05/88	232	0.75 (-)	1.92 (+)	+
	12/16/88	239	0.81 (-)	2.75 (+)	+
	12/23/88	198	1.20 (+)	3.42 (+)	+
	01/13/89	146	3.17 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	01/27/89	104	4.36 (+)	>6.67 (+)	+
	02/17/89	113	>5.61 (+)	>6.67 (+)	+
	02/24/89	120	>5.61 (+)	>6.67 (+)	+
18	01/13/89	112	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	01/21/89	72	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	01/28/89	181	>5.61 (+)	>6.67 (+)	+
	02/08/89	106	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+

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	02/18/89	82	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	03/08/89	62	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	03/18/89	41	>5.61 (+)	NT	NT
	03/25/89	37	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/04/89	37	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/15/89	35	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/22/89	27	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	04/29/89	24	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	05/06/89	25	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
	07/03/89	31	>5.61 (+)	>5.65 (+)	+
19	02/17/89	NA	0.33 (-)	0.75 (-)	NT
	02/24/89	NA	0.35 (-)	0.62 (-)	NT
	03/08/89	NA	0.38 (-)	0.69 (-)	NT
	04/03/89	NA	0.13 (-)	0.87 (-)	NT
	04/14/89	NA	0.35 (-)	1.07 (+)	+
	04/21/89	NA	0.32 (-)	1.54 (+)	+
	04/28/89	NA	0.29 (-)	1.04 (+)	+
	05/05/89	NA	0.36 (-)	1.16 (+)	+
	07/03/89	NA	0.30 (-)	1.24 (+)	+

NT = Not Tested

NA = Not Available

FIG. 16B

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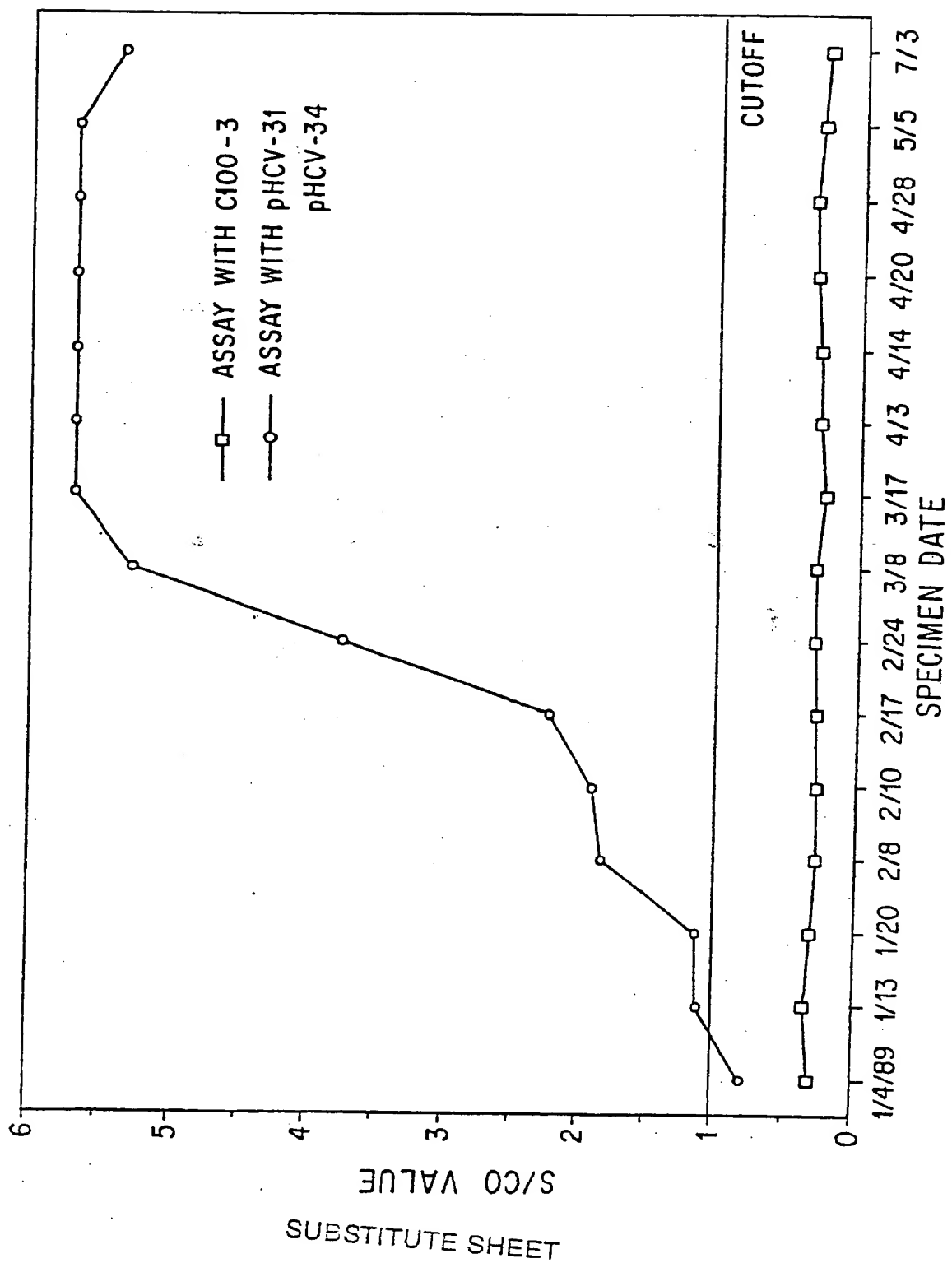


FIG. 17

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CATEGORY	No. SPECIMENS SPECIMENS	No. SPECIMENS REPEATABLY REACTIVE BY C-100-3 ASSAY	No. CONFIRMED	No. SPECIMENS REPEATABLY REACTIVE BY ASSAY WITH pHCV-31, pHCV-34	No. SPECIMENS REPEATABLY REACTIVE WHICH CONFIRMED (%)
ACUTE POST-TRANSFUSION NANBH	32	4 (12.50%)	4	14* (43.75%)	11/12** (91.67%)
COMMUNITY ACQUIRED NANBH (ACUTE)	10	2 (20.00%)	2	4 (40.00%)	4 (100.00%)

FIG. 18

CATEGORY	No. SPECIMENS FOUND ADDITIONALLY REACTIVE ASSAY pHCV-31, pHCV34	No. SPECIMENS CONFIRMED BY sp67 PEPTIDE	No. SPECIMENS CONFIRMED BY CORE PEPTIDE(sp75)	No. SPECIMENS CONFIRMED BY SOD-33C ANTIGEN
ACUTE POST-TRANSFUSION NANBH	11	0	8*	0
COMMUNITY ACQUIRED NANBH (ACUTE)	2	0	2	ND**

FIG. 19

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CATEGORY	No. TESTED	C-100-3 ASSAY		pHCV-34, pHCV-31 ASSAY	
		REPEAT REACTIVE	CONFIRMED	REPEAT REACTIVE	CONFIRMED
CHRONIC ACTIVE NANBH	102	89 (87.3%)	88	98 (96.1%)	98
CHRONIC PERSISTENT NANBH	10	9 (90.0%)	9	9 (90.0%)	9
CHRONIC NANBH WITH CIRRHOSIS	17	15 (88.2%)	15	15 (88.2%)	15
CHRONIC NANBH (UNDEFINED)	35	25 (71.4%)	25	33 (94.3%)	33
TOTAL CHRONIC NANBH	164	138 (84.1%)	137	155 (94.5%)	155

FIG. 20

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HCV POLYPEPTIDE SPOTTING CONDITIONS

<u>PLASMID/PROTEIN</u>	<u>ng/SPOT</u>	<u>SPOTTING BUFFER</u>
c100	100-150	20mM Tris-HCl, 0.9% NaCl, 0.015% SDS, pH 8.3
pHCV-23/CKS-BCD	100-150	20mM Tris-HCl, 0.9% NaCl, 0.015% SDS, pH 8.3
pHCV-29/CKS-33c	100-150	50mM Naphosphate, 0.01% Triton X100, pH 6.5
pHCV-34/CKS-CORE	75-100	50mM Naphosphate, 0.0025% Tween20, pH12.0

FIG. 21

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<u>ANTIGEN</u>	<u>REFLECTANCE DENSITY VALUES</u>		<u>LIMITING DILUTION</u>	
	<u>NEGATIVE MEAN</u>	<u>CUTOFF</u>	<u>A00642</u>	<u>423</u>
c100-3	0.023	0.129	1600	40
pHCV-23	0.011	0.050	3200	320
pHCV-29	0.005	0.031	12800	2560
pHCV-34	0.027	0.166	400	320

FIG. 22

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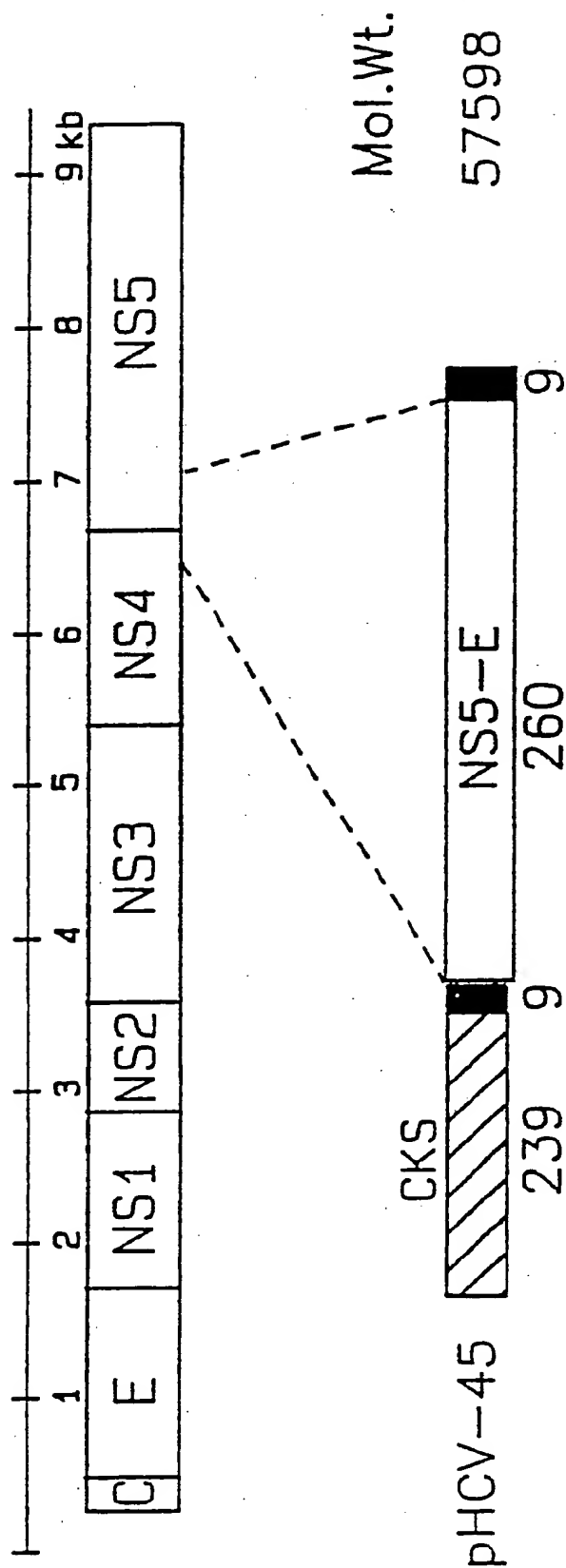


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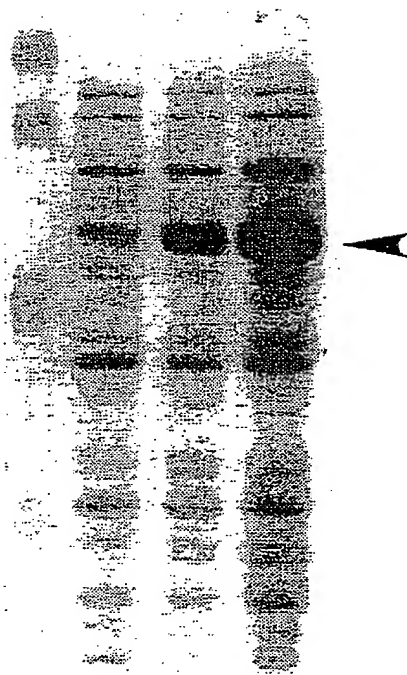


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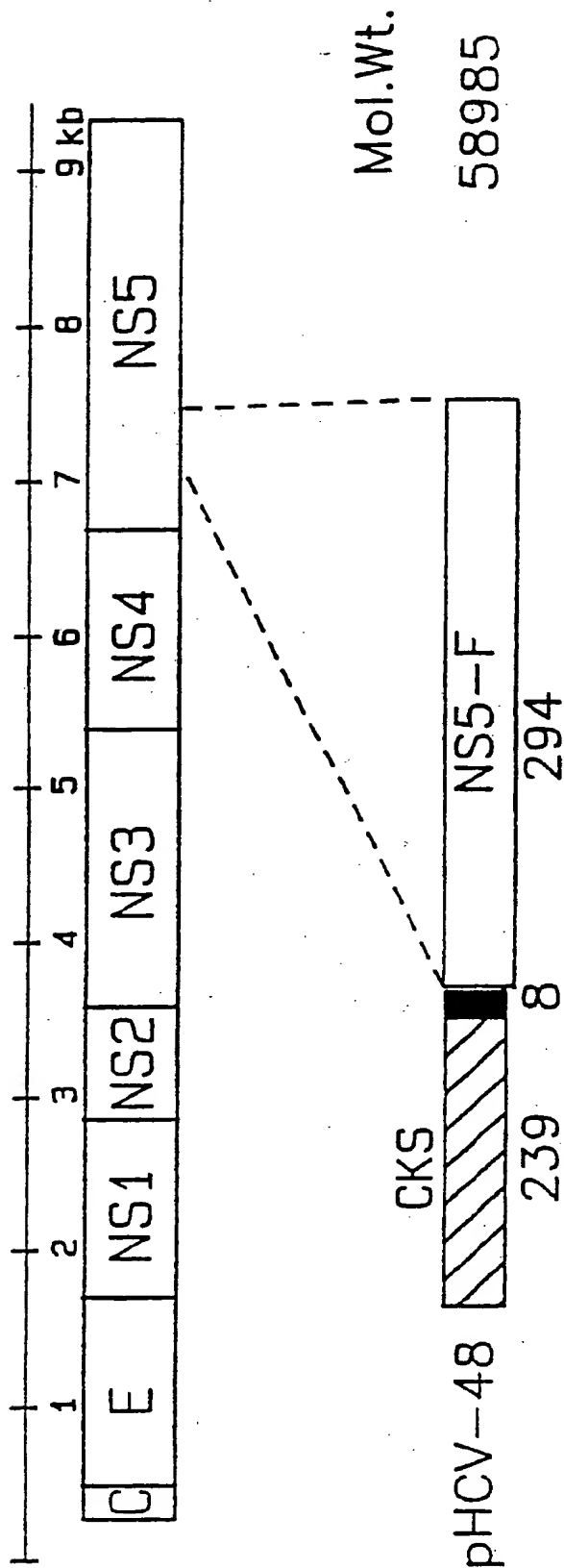


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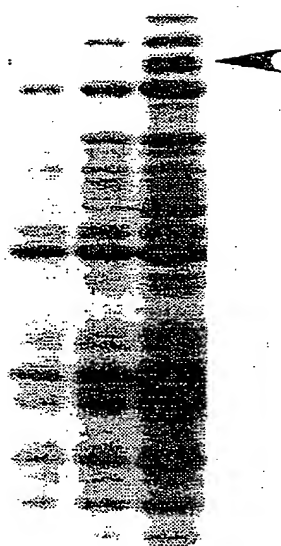


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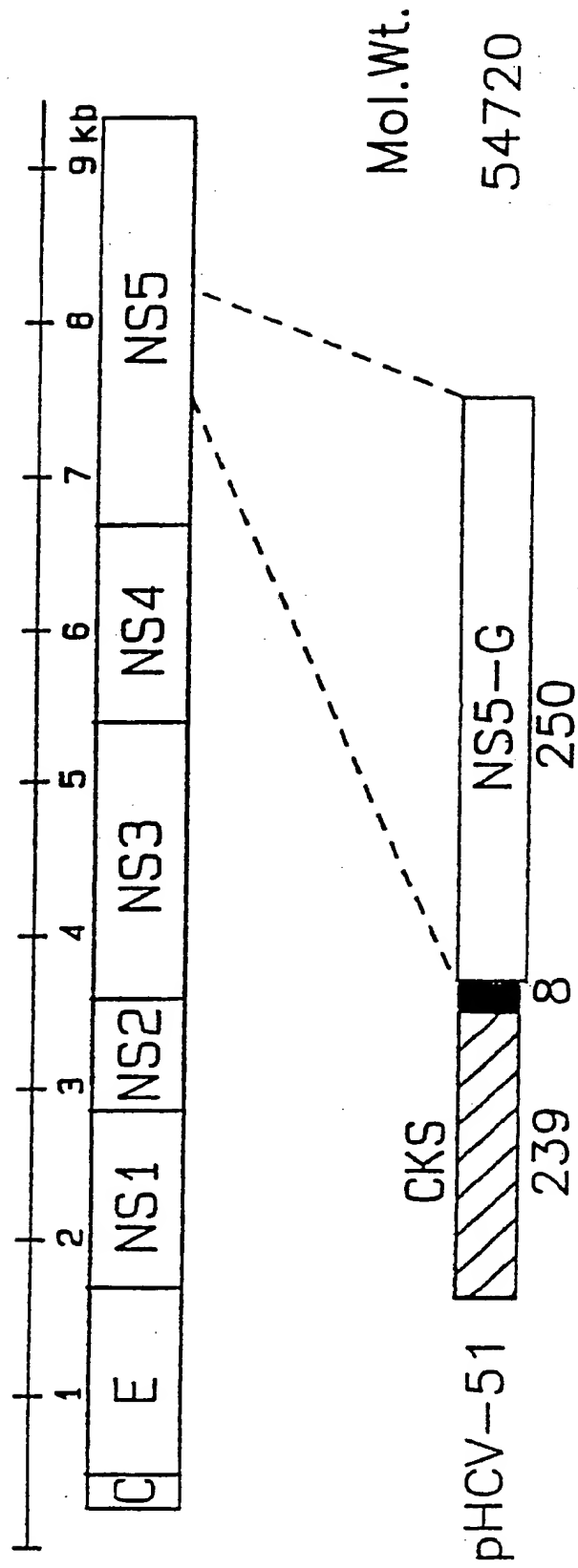


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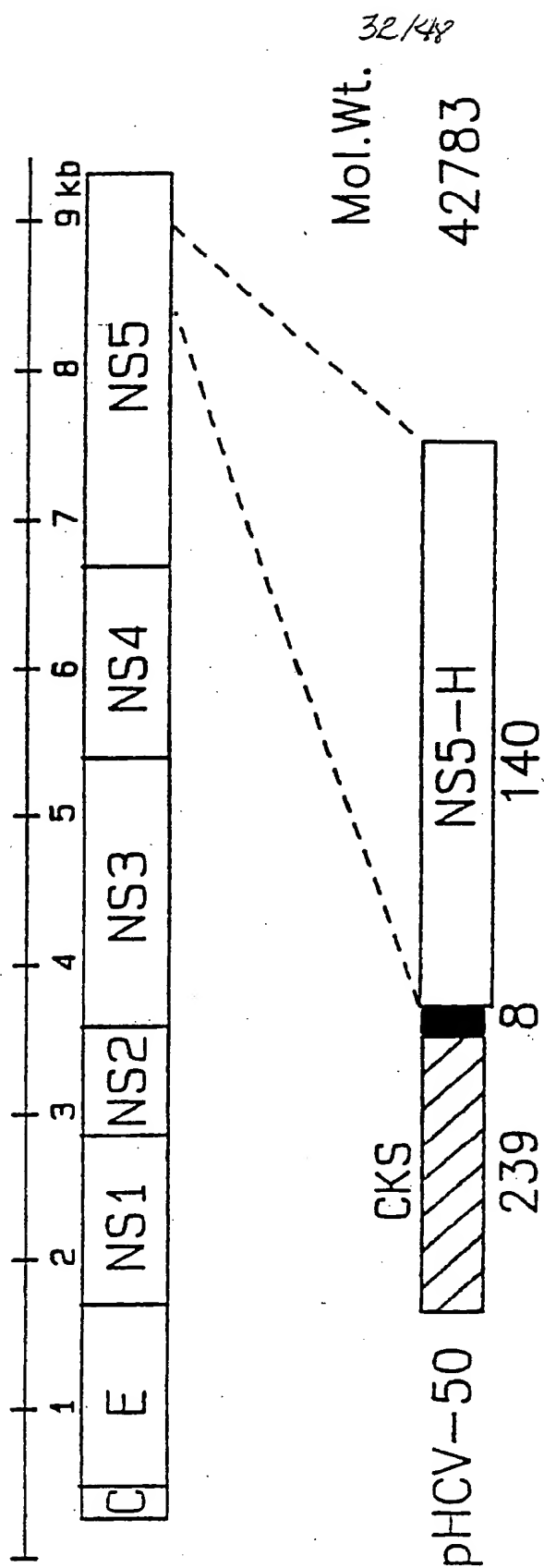


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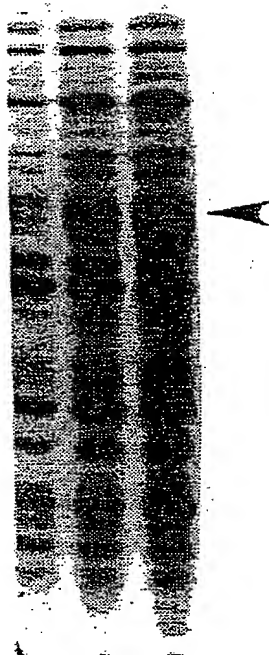


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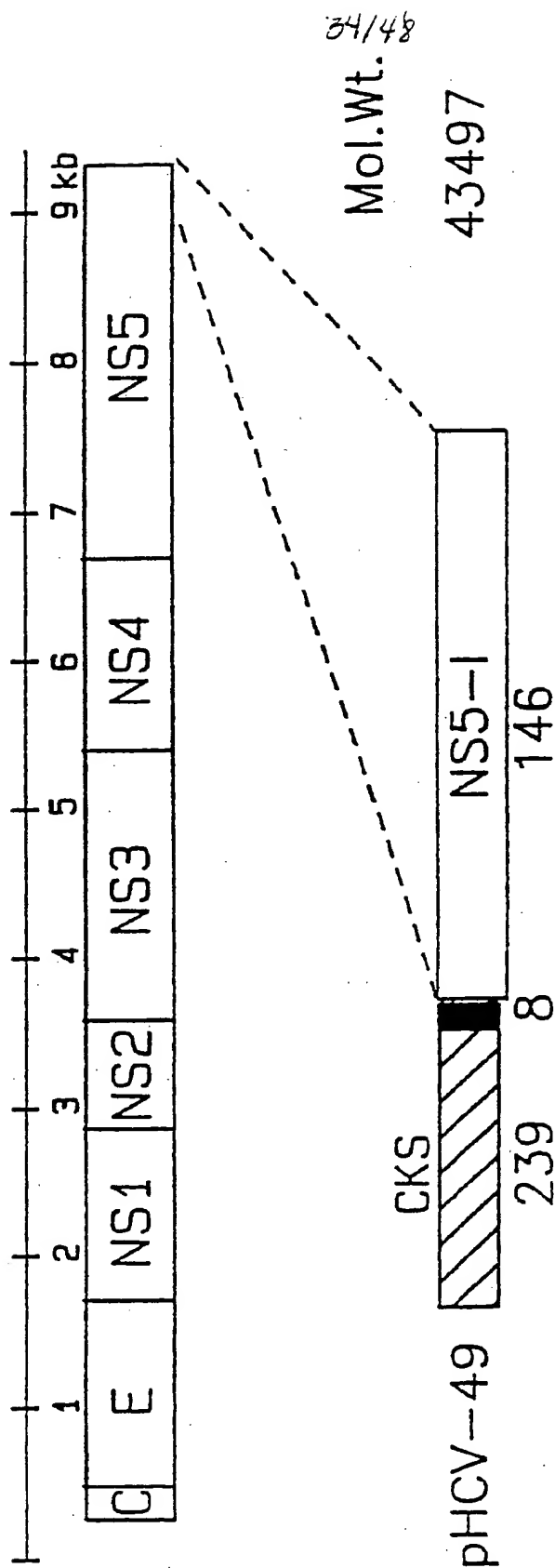


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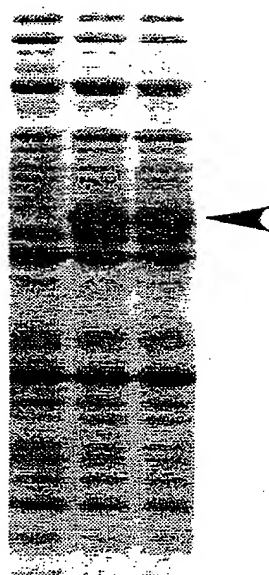


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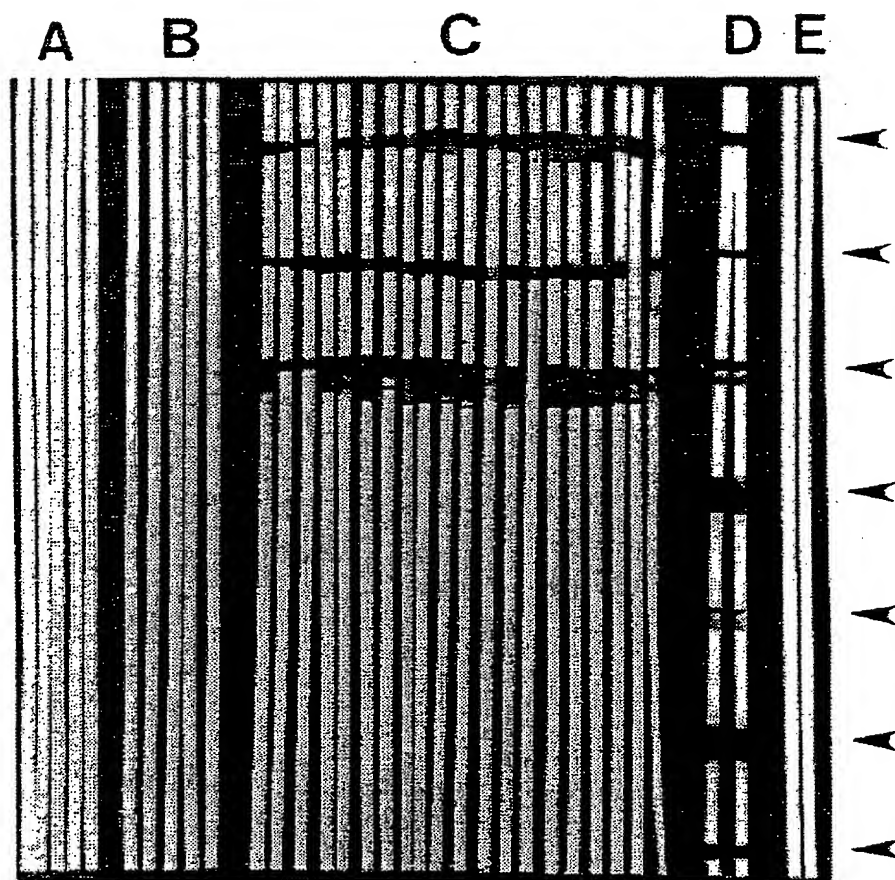


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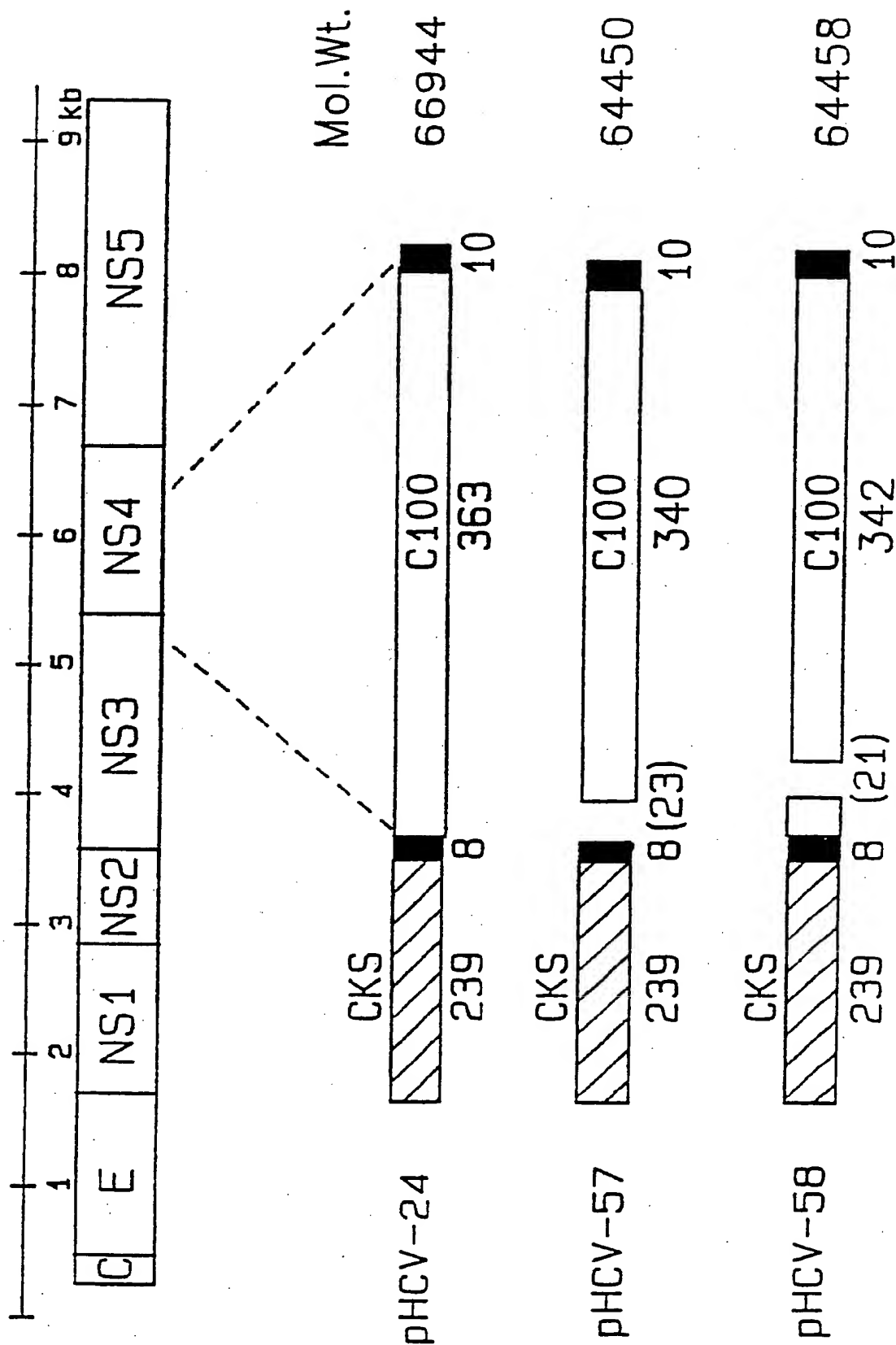


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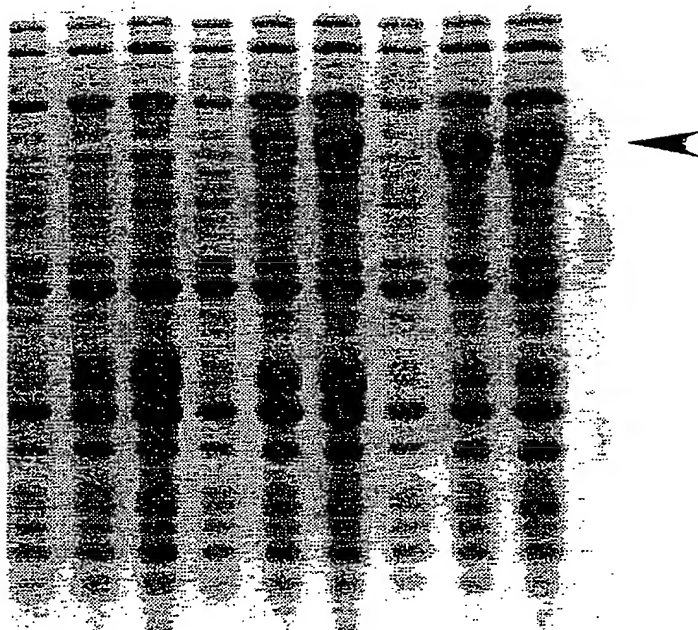


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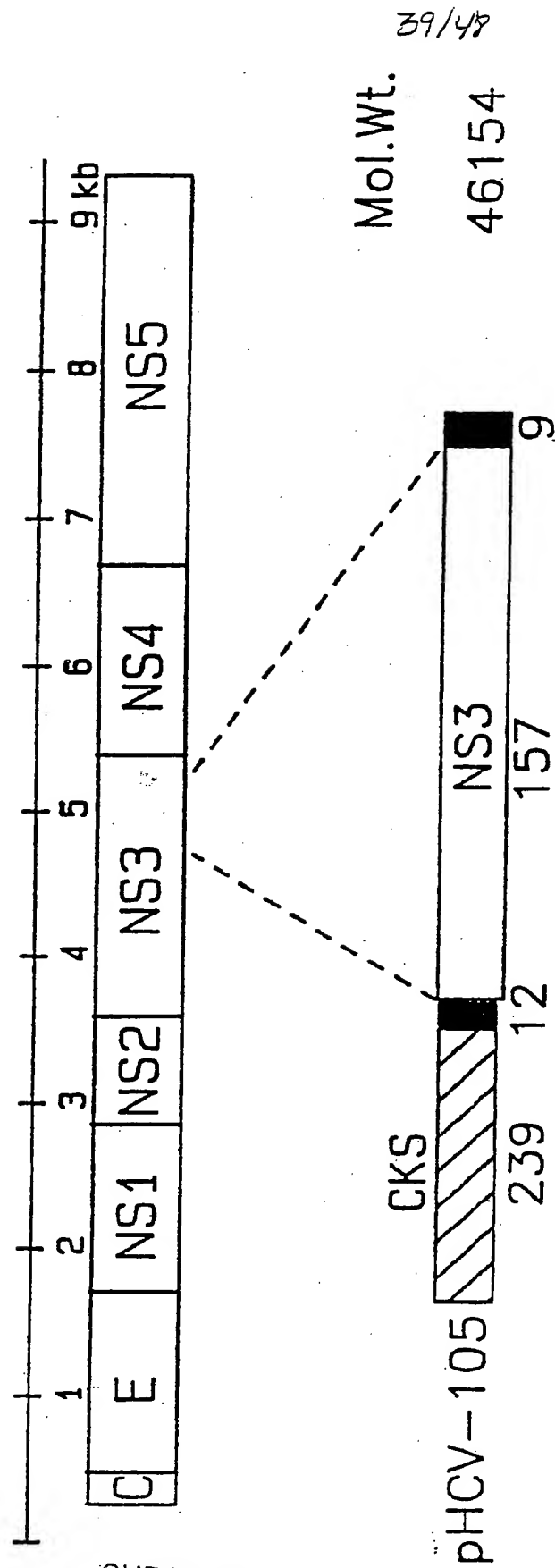


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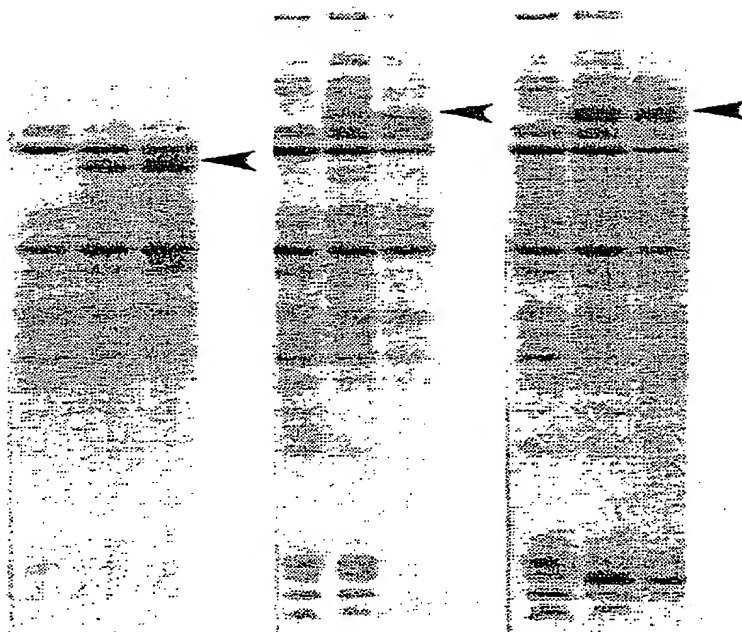


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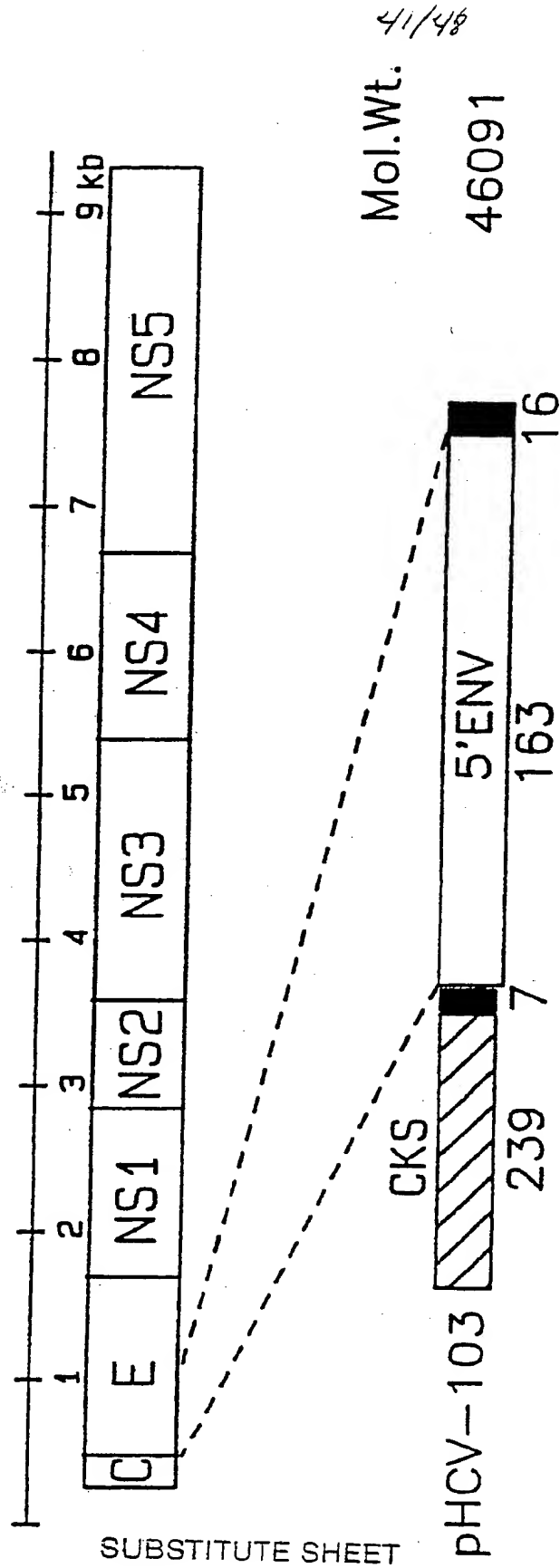
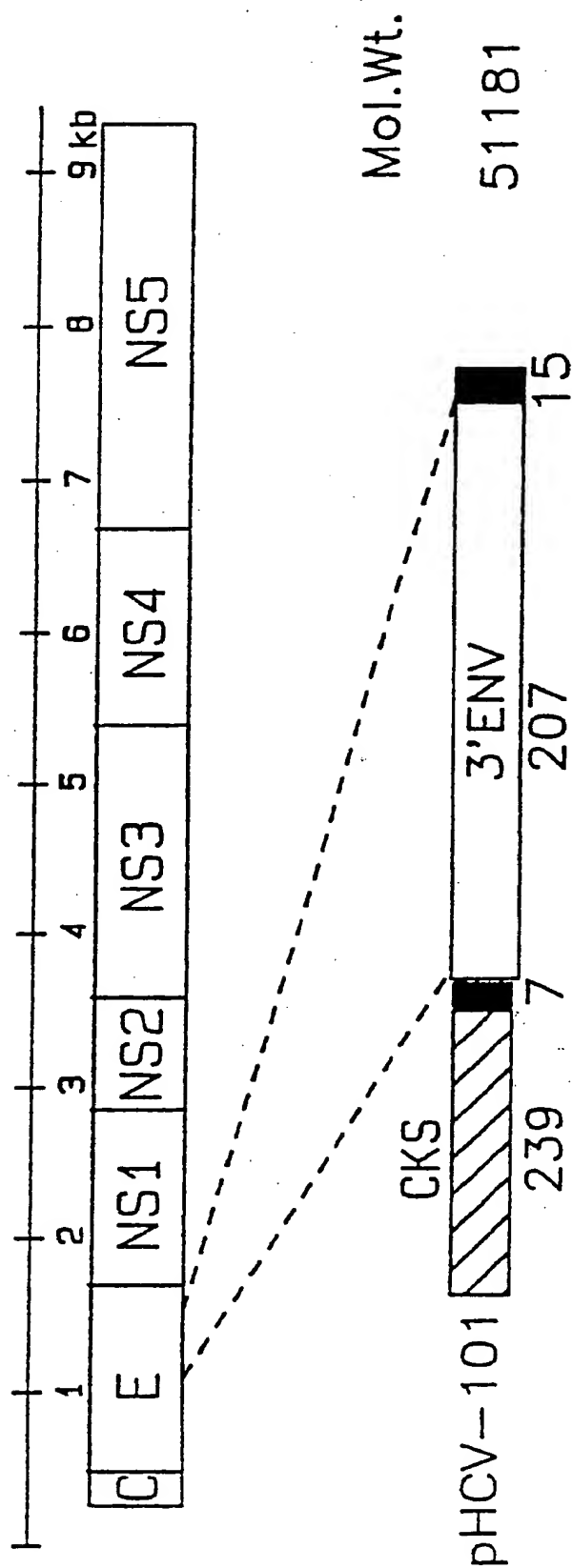


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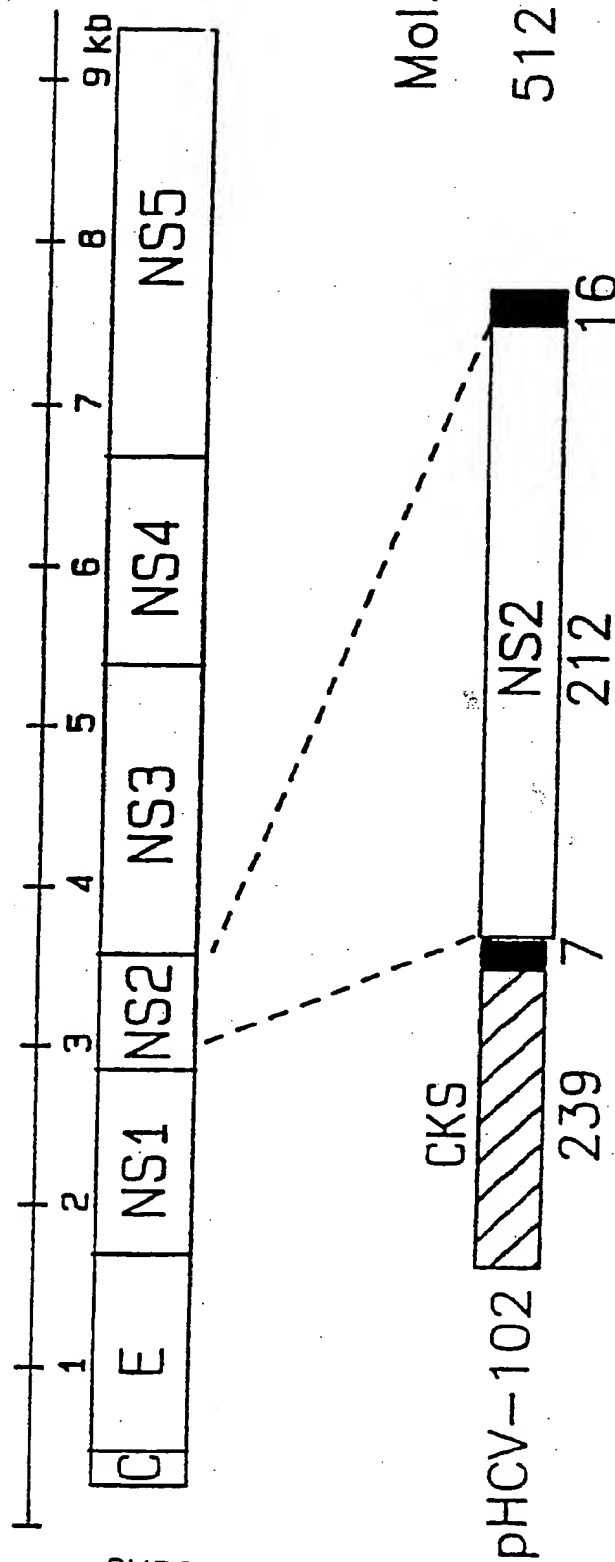


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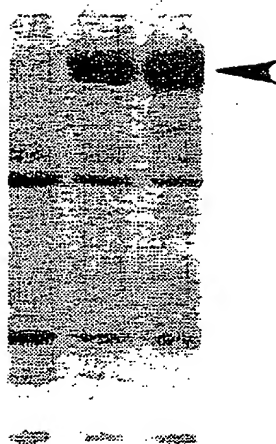


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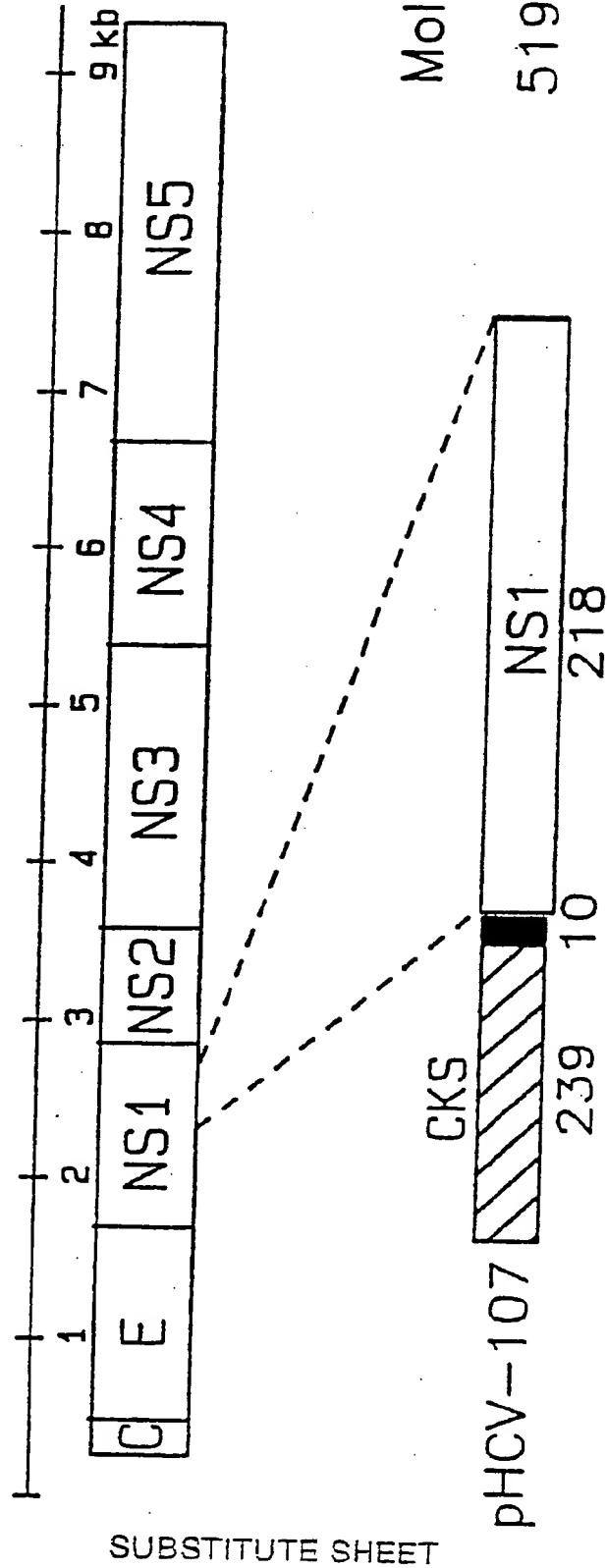


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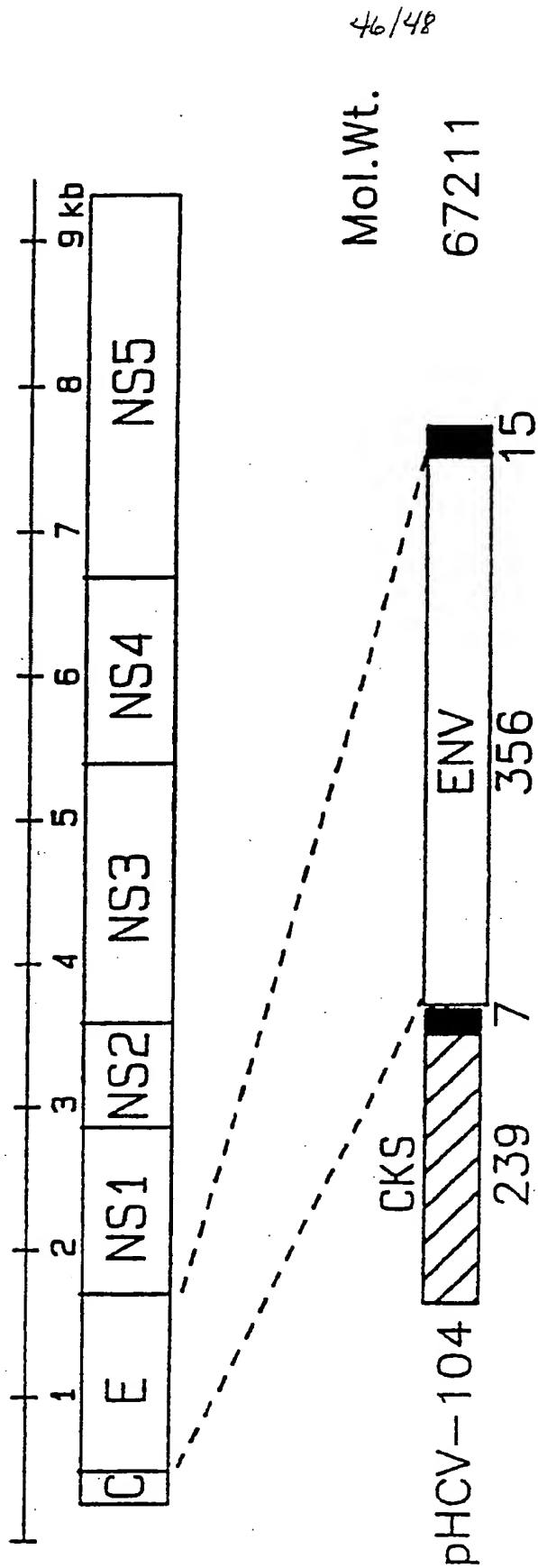
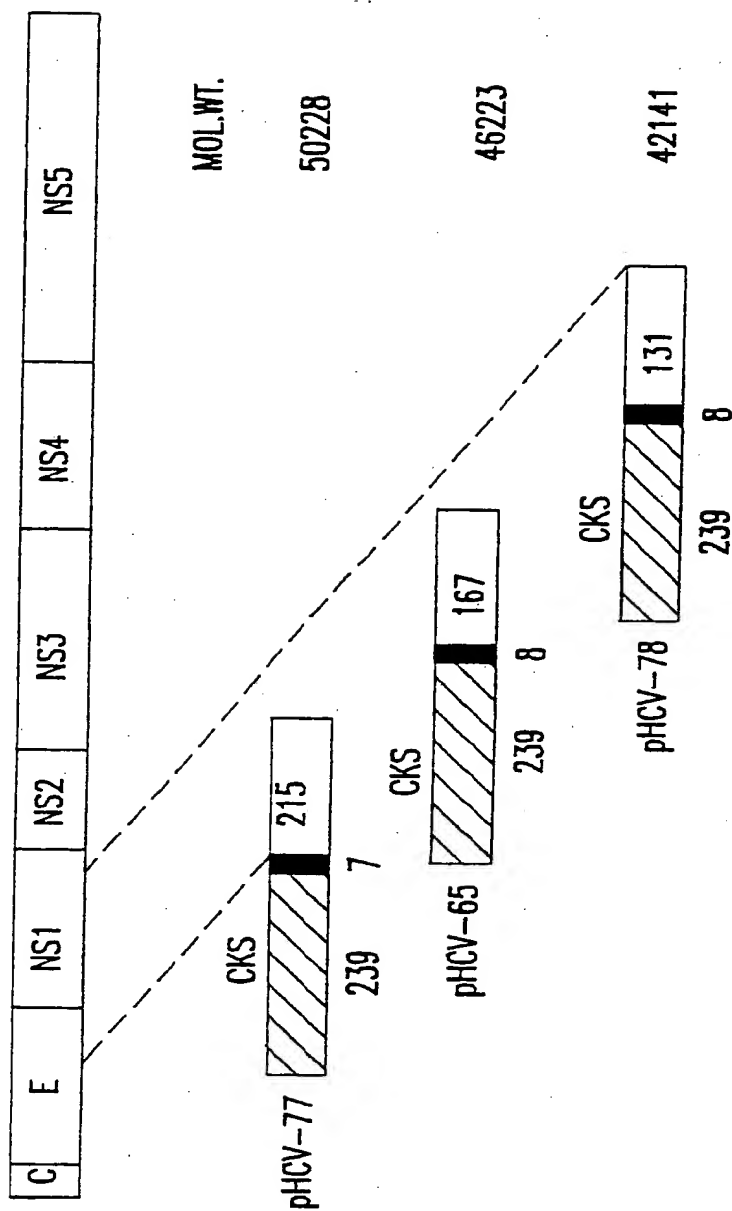


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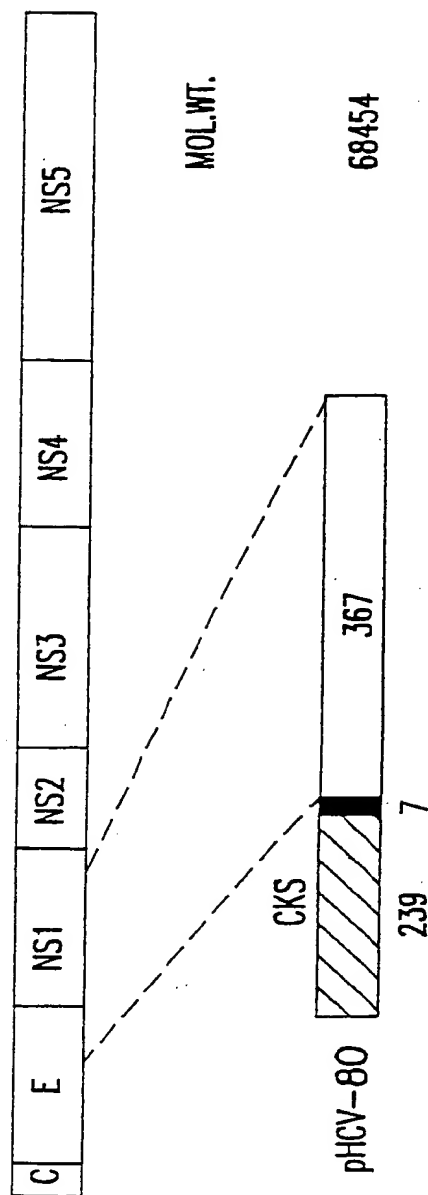


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FIG. 45

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